# DARLINGTON REVIEW

Vol. 64 | No. 8 | **September 2024**

online@www.darlingtonreview.com.au



DARLINGTON THEATRE PLAYERS
PRESENTS

CUT!
by Ed Monk
Directed by
Harrison Ricci

THE RED HOUSE
MONSTER
BY RACHEL BUBLITZ
DIRECTED BY GEORGIA STIDWELL
AND BRIANNA THOMPSON

2024 ONE-ACT
SEASON

23 AUGUST TO
7 SEPTEMBER 2024

WWW.TRYBOOKING.COM/CRZWI

MARLOO THEATRE
20 MARLOO, RD, GREENMOUNT WA 6056

DINNER
FOR ONE
By Freddie Frinton
Directed by Ray Egan

BITTERSWEET LULLABY
BOOK BY WILL EACKER
MUSIC AND LYRICS BY
DYLAN GLATTHORN

ORIGINALLY PRODUCED
BY THEATRE NOW NEW YORK
AT THE SOUND BITES FESTIVAL
THOMAS MORRISSEY,
PRODUCING ARTISTIC DIRECTOR

LICENSED EXCLUSIVELY BY MUSIC
THEATRE INTERNATIONAL
(AUSTRALASIA)

CUT IS AN AMATEUR PRODUCTION BY ARRANGEMENT WITH ORIGIN THEATRICAL ON BEHALF OF RIGHTS HOLDERS
THE RED HOUSE MONSTER IS PRODUCED BY SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT WITH STAGE PARTNERS WWW.YOURSTAGEPARTNERS.COM

Service 7 Days
When Lindsay & Shirley sell your home,
there's no days off or holidays, just full-time service
Call us for a free appraisal - 0405 146 251

EARNSHAWS
Real Estate

## MEMBERS OF THE DARLINGTON REVIEW

| | |
|---|---|
| Anglican Church (Church Office 6292 0074) | Jan Carroll 9299 7240 |
| Baha'i Faith | Susheel Croft 0402 023 704 |
| Bushfire Ready Group | Colin James 0419 969 223 |
| Darlington Arts Festival Inc. (DAF) | Chris Pemberton 9252 0154 |
| Darlington Bushwalk Series | Cliff Burns 9299 6696 |
| Darlington Chamber Music | Malcolm Firth 0400 204 845 |
| Darlington Christian Fellowship | Pastor Callan McEwan 0474 155 364 |
| Darlington Community Garden (DCG) | Kate Herren 0452 644 248 |
| Darlington Community Recreation Advisory Group (DCRAG) | Colin James 0419 969 223 |
| Darlington Junior Cricket Club | Chris Pivac - chris@slatergartrellsports.com.au 0404 082 623 |
| Darlington Junior Football Club | Brodie Della - darlingonjfcpresident@gmail.com |
| Darlington History Group | Val Shiell 9299 6868 |
| Darlington Primary School | 9257 4000 |
| Darlington Primary School P and C Association | Lucy Banner (President) President@dpspc.org.au |
| Darlington Ratepayers and Residents Association (DRRA) | Louise Stelfox - drra@darlingtonvillage.org 0437 310 578 |
| Darlington Retirement Accommodation Assn Inc. (DRAA) | Carolyn Earnshaw 0427 271 765 |
| Darlington Running Group | Pippa Windsor 0488 069 764 |
| Darlington Social Cricket Club Inc. | Chris Rickard - dsccdarlington@gmail.com 0477 355 106 |
| Darlington Sports and Recreation Association Inc. (DaSRA) | Geoff Barker - geoff@pmdwa.com 0418 953 176 |
| Darlington Tennis Club | Alex Hoschke 0439 976 672 |
| Darlington Theatre Players at Marloo Theatre | Chris McRae - chris@marlootheatre.com.au 9255 1212 |
| Darlington Volunteer Bushfire Brigade Inc. | Ricky Harvey 0409 685 445 |
| 1st Darlington Scouts | Julia Tolj 0448 298 685 |
| Forrest Darlings CWA | Kate Herren 0452 644 248 |
| Friends of Darlington Station Reserve (FODS) | Jane Arnold – arnoldmj55@gmail.com 0477 987 048 |
| Friends of Glen Park | Glenys Letchford 0467 586 050 |
| Glen Forrest Bridge Club (GFBC) | Bev Hayles 0437 817 359 |
| Darlington Dibbler Girl Guides (Girl Guides WA-Avon Hills Region) | Karen Wills 0418 917 045 |
| Helena College | Mandy Cosser - mcosser@helena.wa.edu.au 9298 9100 |
| Hillls Outside School Care Association Inc. | Cathy Neale - hosca@bigpond.com 9299 8687/0417 978 806 |
| The Hub of the Hills | Rachel Bacon 9290 6683 |
| Kalamunda District Bridge Club | Jenny Tedeschi jennifer_tedeschi1@hotmail.com |
| KSP Writers' Centre | Sofija Stevanovic 9294 1872 |
| Mundaring Arts Centre Inc. | Jenny Haynes 9295 3991 |
| Mundaring Arts Scholarships | Chris Durrant 9299 6093 |
| Mundaring Chamber of Commerce | Morgan Holmes – President, Mundaring Chamber of Commerce TBA |
| Mundaring Christian College | Tanja Nell - tanja.nell@mundaringcc.wa.edu.au 9295 2688 |
| Mundaring Creative Learning | Terrie Plaistowe 9295 1688 |
| Mundaring and Hills Historical Society Inc. | Trish Beaman - mhhs@mundaringhistory.org 9295 0540 |
| Parkerville Steiner College | Michelle Garvin - michelle.garvin@silvertree.wa.edu.au 9295 4787 |
| Perth Hills Climate Change Interest Group inc | Ailsa Paterson - contact@phccig.orgxe 0488 956 280 |
| Save Perth Hills | Peter Brazier, Save Perth Hills Chair - saveperthhills@gmail.com 0466 604 510 |
| Shire of Mundaring Library Service | Coordinator Library Services - gills@mundaring.wa.gov.au 9290 6755 |
| Silver Tree Steiner School | Hayley Spracklen/Michelle Garvin - michelle.garvin@silvertree.wa.edu.au 9295 4787 |
| The Darlington Club | Sue Lavell 0439 273 213 |
| Treetops Montessori School | Stuart Harris 9299 6725 |
| **Members of Parliament:** | |
| Member for East Metro | Donna Faragher JP MLC 9379 0840 |
| Member for Kalamunda | Matthew Hughes MLA - kalamunda@mp.wa.gov.au 9293 4747 |
| Federal Member for Hasluck | Tania Lawrence MP - tania.lawrence.mp@aph.gov.au 6245 3340 |
| **Mundaring Shire South Ward Councillors:** | |
| Cr Trish Cook | CrCook@mundaring.wa.gov.au 0409 479 551 |
| Cr Luke Ellery | CrEllery@mundaring.wa.gov.au 0420 421 883 |
| **Justice of the Peace:** | Warren Southwell - www.wa.gov.au/service/justice 9252 0361 |
| **Shire of Mundaring** | |
| General enquiries/graffiti/vandalism | shire@mundaring.wa.gov.au 9290 6666 |
| Darlington Hall Bookings | bookings@mundaringwa.gov.au 9290 6666 |

### DARLINGTON REVIEW MEMBERSHIP

Non-profit community-based organisations may become members.
Half page notes (approx 400 words excluding photos): $140 per annum, $75 for six issues. Full page notes (approx 800 words excluding photos): $265 per annum, $140 for six issues.

### DARLINGTON REVIEW

Review Manager: Gabby Houldsworth
manager@darlingtonreview.com.au | 0408 944 737
Business Manager: Betty Pitcher, PO Box 196, Darlington
business@darlingtonreview.com.au
Advertising Manager: Julie Stuurstraat
advertising@darlingtonreview.com.au | 0412 225 613
September Editor: Joshua Thillagaratnam & McGee Noble | joshua.thil@gmail.com
October Editor: Ian Kay | imkay045@gmail.com

### EDITORIAL DEADLINE

Material for each edition of the Review must be submitted before 5pm on the 20th of the preceding month. Please keep Letter to the Review brief and include your name, address and phone number. Contact details will not be printed and you can request that a pseudonym rather than your name be used. Letters must be emailed to: editorial@darlingtonreview.com.au or placed in the Review box in the Post Office by the deadline date of the 20th of the month.

**PRODUCTION/DESIGN:** Liz Berry | editorial@darlingtonreview.com.au

**PRINTER:** Vanguard Media Group, 26 John Street, Northbridge WA 6003 | 9328 1388

### ADVERTISING RATES

1/2 page $165 (19 x 13 cms) • 1/3 page $132 (12.5 x 13 cms) • 1/6 page $66 (6 x 13 cms) • Front cover strip $166 • Back cover strip ad $132 when available (conditions apply).

### REVIEW COVERS

Covers can be booked by member groups: front $166; back/inside back cover $132.

All advertisements require print ready artwork. Print quality pdf preferred.

Fees may apply for artwork requiring amendment. Payment for first advertisements is required in advance. Placement of business advertisements and notification of cancellation must be emailed to the Advertising Manager (PO Box 196, Darlington, WA 6070) by 5pm on the 20th of each month.

### CLASSIFIED ADS

$10 for 4 lines; $5 for students. Monies must be included with the advertisement and placed in the Review Box at Darlington Post Office by the 20th of each month.

**DARLINGTON REVIEW ONLINE:** www.darlingtonreview.com.au
**DARLINGTON VILLAGE ONLINE:** www.darlingtonvillage.org (sponsored by the Darlington Review).

**ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION:** You can get a copy of the Review mailed to you if you leave town but want to stay in touch: annual subscription $77 includes mailing within WA. Email: business@darlingtonreview.com.au or phone Betty Pitcher on 0408 912 101

(Publication is printed on PEFC certified 30% recycled paper and uses vegetable inks).

# EDITORIAL

**Josh Thillagaratnam** | September Editor

Josh, his wife McGee and their son Fox moved to Darlington 3 years ago. Returning home to WA after 3 years in London and 12 in Melbourne, Josh is a musician and works as a marketing consultant. This is his first time as Editor of the Review.

It's Spring in Darlington. The trees that line our roads are at their brightest and greenest. The bandicoots are at their most rambunctious as they dart around my garden, tormenting my elderly canine companions. Brand new ducklings wander for the first time, in the tow of their mothers' confident waddles. There's black cockatoos out and about, amongst the pines. It is my very favourite time of year in our lovely suburb.

It was the Spring of 2021 when my wife and I first discovered Darlington. Having pored over house listings routinely earlier that year from the confines of our inner city Melbourne home, our knowledge of the Hills was entirely based on digital research. That's despite the fact that we'd both lived (and met) in Perth almost 2 decades prior. Neither of us had a significant connection to The Hills. On paper it conjured images of a somewhat whimsical place where WA's artists, musicians, writers and hippies tended to call home, living a care-free existence amongst the gumtrees. Immediately, it ticked a lot of boxes.

But we were actually, finally, here. For real life. And it was Spring. So the trees were waving invitingly, the birds were singing welcoming songs, and it was as if the whole of Darlington was putting on its best, beckoning to us. To our first home open anyway.

We arrived early and stopped at a cafe, which unbeknownst to us would soon become our local, where breakfasts and coffees would be enjoyed, bumping into the many locals who would become friends. We must have stood out like the couple of city-slickers that we were, because the waitress sensed it, found us a table and gave us a little introduction to the suburb, before handing us a copy of the Darlington Review. As we re-caffeinated, we read it from cover to cover. I'll never forget that first taste of this community that I had that day. It had a warmth that I associate with rural towns, and it reminded me of living in the Swan Valley in the 90s - quiet, yet inviting. It was perfect.

Maybe someone reading this right now is visiting our village for the first time. Or maybe you've lived here for decades. Either way, welcome to the September issue. Look around, take it all in, and take it easy, because it's Spring in Darlington, and there's no place on earth I'd rather be.

## Kayps

**Jett Bieundurry, better known as Kayps, is the 19 year old hip-hop artist based right here in the Perth Hills. Originally from Broome, Jett and his family moved here where he attended Silver Tree Steiner School in Parkerville, and then Helena College in Glen Forrest. His music embodies the DIY aesthetic of the genre's early days, brought into the modern day with an infusion of contemporary pop production sensibilities.**

Listening to his music, I get the sense that Jett is telling personal stories and sharing observations using this project as a vehicle, a description he agrees with. "It isn't necessarily the lyrical content, but how it sounds and feels sonically. It's definitely the most accurate creative representation of how I've felt in certain situations".

Jett was the recipient of the 2023 Robert Juniper Award, which helped him to bring more of a visual focus to the Kayps project, by producing music videos and photos. "The phone call I got when I was told I had won the award was amazing, as my dad had a connection with the Robert Juniper Gallery for years with his own art exhibitions" he said.

An ideal creative day for Jett involves 20 minutes of practice the moment he wakes up, where he produces an instrumental piece, then pens words to accompany it. "Regardless of how goofy or corny the lyrics or production sound, it's helping me to maintain a solid and consistent approach to my creativity, for when some of those ideas can provide a spark for full length tracks". Jett often works full 9 hour days in the studio, which he balances with exercise, playing basketball and generally things unrelated to music, to stave off writer's block.

The hip-hop album that influenced Jett the most is Speakerboxx/ The Love Below by legendary Atlanta-based duo Outkast, innovators of the Southern hip-hop and progressive rap subgenres. "My parents had it on CD which they'd been given as a present but never listened to when I was 4. It was genuinely the first piece of music I fully fell in love with and I still have it on repeat to this day".

I ask Jett about the role social media plays for artists in building their audiences. "The major media market is now predominantly short form content like TikTok and Instagram reels. Artists have to be content creators in order to push their music. We have to create a conversation around our art, and the most accessible and popular way to do that is through short form content. As much of a headache as it can be to actively push out content that isn't music, I'm also aware of how much power it holds".

We get talking about the biggest challenges facing artists based here in Perth, the most geographically isolated city in the world. Jett tells me that it can be difficult to navigate the music industry beyond a local scene, and push beyond it to give his work greater exposure. "It's hard to push beyond what's within reach, whether that be the live scene, distributing music to a larger audience or even navigating major labels and publishers." It's a challenge that he's starting to overcome. "I'll be the first to admit, I don't have the answers to it all, but it's something that me and so many other artists are figuring out and learning as we grow".

We chat about the current state of hip-hop, and where it appears to be heading. "If I'm being brutally honest, on a mainstream level, I'm not a fan of the current state of rap. From the sound of what's currently being released and what's trending, some

*Kayps (Jett Bieundurry)*

of the music that's mostly coming from memes, this isn't what I fell in love with hip-hop for." Despite this dim outlook for the genre, it's listening to smaller artists who aren't being played in the mainstream that gives Jett faith that hip-hop is ultimately going in the right direction.

I'm interested in the differences between Jett and the persona that is presented in the Kayps project. "When I was younger, starting out, I was definitely trying to create this character, pushing that really gritty, harder rap sound. While the lyrical content can be vulgar and confronting, it's what I was listening to at the time, so I feel like I was trying to follow this blueprint of what I saw other rappers doing."

Today Jett is 19, and through his music has matured as both an artist and a person. "I feel more comfortable to creatively express a much more genuine version of myself. I was always terrified that if I didn't act a certain way or come across with a certain image, it would leave me vulnerable for people to see through to who I was, and quite frankly that was a version of me I didn't like, but now I'm much more comfortable to be more honest and show who I am, rather than who I was trying to be".

## The Man In The Log Cabin

**If you've walked up Ryecroft Road, it's unlikely your curiosity hasn't been piqued by the intriguing sculptures framing the entrance to The Log Cabin. Used as a boarding house in the 1940's, this property is now both home and creative workspace of Ian Kay, who moved into Darlington seven years ago with his partner Belinda.**

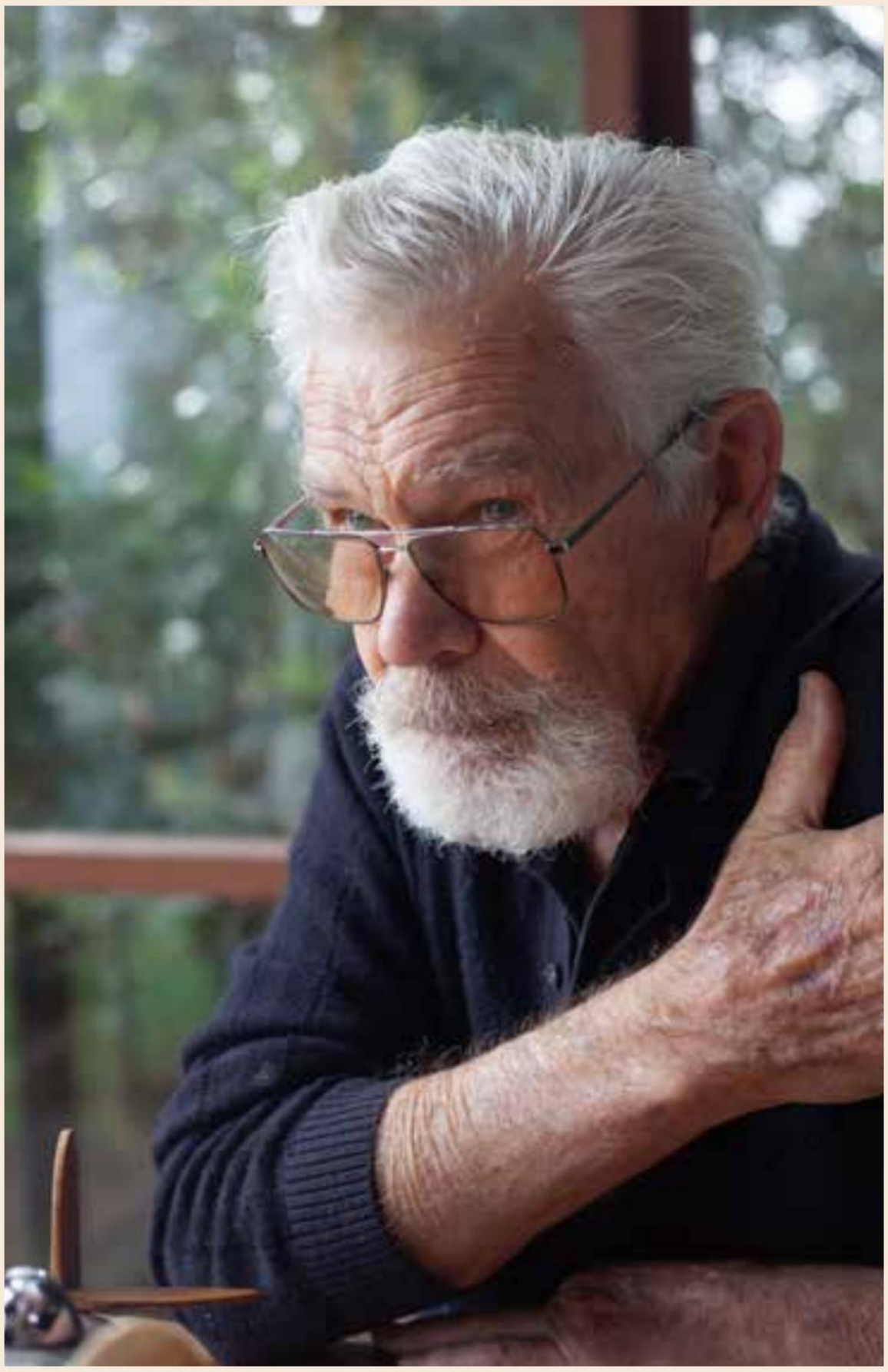
Originally from New Zealand, Ian sees a great many similarities in the natural beauty of the Hills and where he grew up in Auckland. Stepping into his home, it's immediately apparent that Ian makes things. He's a house builder. A sculptor. A painter. "I love the forest. I was trained as a forest ranger out of school", he said, telling me about the early days of his career.

Ian then made a somewhat unconventional transition into advertising, working for the local newspaper. "It was a bit of a change. I got a job selling advertising. There was a writer there, and when she left, I told them I could do her job at the same time". Ian soon after picked up photography duties for the newspaper as well. "That's the way it is in New Zealand. Everyone has a crack at everything, and you just get on with it".

On the back patio, Ian points out the homes he's had a hand in building. His backyard is brimming with sculptures and various meticulously crafted creations, mainly from recycled materials. I recognise some of the pieces from the Darlington Arts Festival.

The house feels like it holds a lot of history, and it's been updated and maintained in Ian's vision. It feels very much like a creative space, where an artist nurtures his craft every day. "I looked at this house when Lindy first brought me up here, and I said look, there's nothing here I don't think I can handle. I was quite comfortable with the work that needed to be done".

Outside, by the entrance but so well concealed that I didn't notice it, sits a freight container which has been fashioned into a workspace. This is where Ian makes things. I ask him if there's a certain theme that he's attracted to, or a design philosophy he applies to his work. "Someone said that it would have to be nostalgia. I come up with concepts. Generally, what happens is someone will give me something, like an exotic piece of wood.



I'll look at it and say, this looks to me like the body of an electric guitar".

*Ian Kay will be the editor for next month's issue.*

## Sandy Cable

**Sandy Cable is one of the newest members of the Darlington Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade. Born and bred right here in the Hills, in Parkerville, both her father and brother were firefighters when she was growing up. For Sandy, there was never any doubt that she'd one day dedicate herself to the noble cause of defending our community from bush fires.**

Her life as an army reservist, business owner and entrepreneur saw her travel the world, working in many places. She lived in Japan for 3 years where she taught English and went backpacking through the USA. It was only a matter of time however, before the Hills called her home. "The bush is in my blood" says Sandy, who returned in no small part to be close to her mother, who lives in Darlington.

Sandy is married with four grown kids. She's spent the last year as an owner builder, building and renovating a property in Swan View on the escarpment. These days, semi-retired, she is helping her son run a landscaping and gardening business. Sandy is a keen sportswoman, and a self-described "mad golfer".

"I'm a first responder-type personality and I like being physical," says Sandy. In my opinion, volunteer firefighters are among the best of us, and I'm always interested in what inspires people to join the brigade. "The Hills is my community and I was brought up to volunteer for your community. With the high fire danger we have here, becoming a firefighter was a natural choice for me," she said.

Sandy joined the Darlington Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade just after Christmas 2023, as renovation work on her property had finished. The camaraderie, and being part of a team had an immediate impact on her. "The people at the Darlington Fire Brigade have been super friendly and helpful. I love the training, and the support I'm given".

As we're all aware, last summer was the driest and hottest our region has experienced in a very long time. Sandy explains that it was a challenging firefighting season, and that it's looking very likely that this coming season will be no different. "The lack of real rainfall leaves everything so dry, drawing water from ponds, creeks and other waterways. It's becoming increasingly difficult in a bush fire situation".

There's no doubt that the climate is changing, and residents who've been here awhile will attest to the fact that what we're experiencing these days is certainly not like the Darlington summers of the 80's and 90's. Sandy tells me how important it is that we keep our trees, and that we work to ensure that we avoid contaminating our waterways. "I was brought up on the Jane Brook in Parkerville. It was a year-round flowing creek. Now, it only flows in winter. That is the result of damming, overuse of bores and climate change".

Talking about what we love most about living in the Hills, Sandy says it's "everything - the quiet, the bushland, the wildlife, and the people". I wholeheartedly agree with that.

## Debra Bishop

**I caught up with Debra Bishop, Stoneville resident and Deputy Chair of Save Perth Hills (SPH). Established 33 years ago, SPH is WA's longest running community campaign, which works relentlessly to stop 'North Stoneville' - a proposed urban-style development in one of the nation's most bushfire-prone regions.**

### For readers just getting across it now, what's the issue with 'North Stoneville'?

It's an outdated 1990's urban-styled development plan that's inappropriate for the Perth Hills. In planning terms, it's a 'stranded development', meaning it's isolated, with no supporting social or built infrastructure, public transport, major centres or employment opportunities. Our climate is changing and severe bushfires are increasing. Cramming 3,000 people inside an Extreme Bushfire Zone has been deemed dangerous, unacceptable and not approvable, twice, by WA's highest planning authority, the WA Planning Commission (WAPC).

## It's 2024. Why is SPH still going?

Several plans have been submitted over 33 years, and all have failed at Shire or higher approval levels for a variety of reasons. WA's planning laws effectively allow endless appeal opportunities for land developers.

## Why do I rarely see mention of North Stoneville in the media?

SPH has elevated the issue through the media since 2019. We enjoy good and very fair coverage from 6PR, ABC radio, ABC TV, Channel 9 News, Channel 10 news, Business News, WA Today, Sydney Morning herald and The Echo Newspaper. SPH has effectively been blacklisted by 7 West media due to the long standing corporate relationship they have with the developer. So you won't see the issue reported by their outlets (The West Australian, Sunday Times, PerthNow, 7 News, Sunrise).

## How are the people of Darlington impacted if North Stoneville ever goes ahead?

If approved, it would open the flood gates to unsustainable urban sprawl into Perth's Hills. This area is the last unconquered bastion for urban developers. Darlington is the first 'stop off' for Perth's Hills up Greenmount Hill, so we're a developer target. It would set the precedent for a cookie-cutter, suburban-style development in Darlington - and the whole of our Hills. It'd be environmentally devastating for Darlington, which would lose its treasured village identity, along with the unique diversity of Hills' community living that residents value so highly.

## What should everyone here know regarding this new phase of the battle?

SPH believes we have a community responsibility to attempt to intervene at the State Administrative Tribunal (SAT) hearing. We would love the whole of Darlington – and indeed the Hills - to turn up at the SAT appeal next year to illustrate the level of Community concern, and contempt for those who should know better but persist in spite of increasing evidence of its unsuitability for our environment and the dangers it would pose to thousands of people.

## Do you think the need for SPH will be ongoing, and can you see an end to North Stoneville?

The plan to urbanise the Perth Hills has been madness since Day 1. It seeks to knowingly place thousands of people in harm's way, so developers can reap private profits. For more than 3 decades, the local community, led by SPH, has opposed it relentlessly. It's been formally rejected 14 times in the last 2 years - by WA's Department of Fire and Emergency Services (DFES), ex DFES Commissioner Dr Wayne Gregson (a Darlington resident), WA's Department of Planning, twice by Mundaring Shire Council (unanimously), City of Swan, twice by WA's Statutory Planning Committee, by 3,500 community submissions, and twice by the WAPC.

Fundamental to the rejections are serious flaws and failure to enable more than 3,000 people and surrounding residents to escape bushfire, and the inevitable traffic gridlock in Perth Hills' rural road network during a full-scale emergency. While we are confident SAT will reject this deadly plan, Satterley has proven it has no boundaries. It could well appeal the rejection before the WA Courts.

Back in March 2019, at the only meeting between Satterley and SPH, Satterley executives stated to us clearly – they are in no rush. Neither are we. We've been fighting this for 33 years. We're here for the long haul.

# Paige McNeil

**I caught up with Paige McNeil, the President of the Shire of Mundaring, fresh from her recent attendance at the 2024 National General Assembly in Canberra.**

## How was the National General Assembly?

Each year, during 'local government week' in Canberra, the National General Assembly is hosted while Parliament is sitting, to give Presidents and Mayors the opportunity to meet with our federal ministers. Local governments from across Australia present motions that are voted on by delegates. The successful motions form advocacy positions for the Australian Local Government Association to advocate federally on behalf of our local communities.

Expert speakers address topical issues like housing, emergency response, and planning for the future. It is excellent exposure to relevant information that can be directly applied to Mundaring. What we are experiencing in the west is often quite similar to what Local governments are experiencing in the east, but on a greater scale, so there's a lot of lessons to be learnt especially in the emergency management space.

We were given the opportunity to advocate on behalf of the Shire of Mundaring to several ministers. We met with the Minister for Infrastructure, Hon Catherine King, and presented our Mundaring Town Centre Revitalisation project including the Mundaring Cultural Hub.

We were invited along with 600 other people to a dinner at Parliament House, where the Prime Minister introduced himself to us and said Minister King had mentioned our Mundaring project to him!

## Goodbye Hasluck, hello Bullwinkel

There is a federal election coming up and maybe called as early as November or by May 2025. The Shire of Mundaring is in the new proposed federal seat of 'Bullwinkel' and the electoral boundary reshuffle appears to have created a marginal seat without an incumbent member. This presents a unique opportunity for the Shire of Mundaring to attract significant federal funding to support capital projects including the Mundaring Cultural Hub and further investments in our future.

## Town Centre Revitalisation

In June, Council unanimously voted to move our flagship project forward. The Mundaring Cultural Hub is planned to be built on Jacoby Street on the former Mundaring Men's Shed site. The plan is to co-locate the Albert Facey library, Mundaring Arts Centre, Visitors Centre and Museum.

Our brand new Mundaring Cultural Hub will showcase a contemporary library (including the Toy Library), Museum, Art Gallery, commercial and multi-purpose community spaces for seniors and youth and everyone in-between. The Cultural Hub will showcase local artists and artisans, celebrate our rich history and attract tourism. This location is so beautiful because it looks directly over Sculpture Park, which will see improvements as part of this project. Consolidating these offerings into the Hub frees up surrounding land for further development.

We have an aging population in the Shire and demand for retirement living, aged care and housing diversity. We aim to attract private development which will boost economic growth and local jobs. This is a prime location supported by walkability to medical services, cafes, retail and community services creating growth and vitality, right in the heart of Mundaring

We are very excited about the Mundaring Town Centre Revitalisation and Cultural Hub project. It is the biggest project the Shire has ever undertaken and we are applying for federal grants up to $15 million.

## Telecommunications

Another big challenge is telecommunications. Throughout the Shire, there are what they call grey spots, where there's very patchy or limited coverage on a good day. But during emergency events, when the power is out, we become very vulnerable. The supercell storm on January 16 came through Stoneville, Parkerville, Mundaring and Mt Helena like a freight train. Some people were without power for up to seven days and for three or four days some of our community were without communications.

Telecommunications is a federal responsibility and I have been advocating to our federal Ministers and to Telstra on how we can work together to find solutions to enhance our connectivity on a day-to-day basis, but specifically during emergency events. We're asking for investment in off-grid power systems, to ensure that communications are continuous during emergencies.

## Emergency Management

When an emergency like a bushfire happens, the Local Government is responsible for response and recovery. Mundaring is a bushfire-prone area and has faced two significant natural disasters in the last 8 months. These events were not classified as emergencies under state legislation which placed significant financial pressure on the Shire.

We are asking for a review of the Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangement and a one off $250,000 advance payment for recognised events with the acquittal required on completion. That would enable us to get on with the job of clean-up and provide the Shire with more capacity to deliver much needed support for our community during recovery.

## St Cuthbert's Centenary Celebrations

As part of the St Cuthbert's Centenary Celebrations, some of the young people of the parish are holding a concert in the church. This beautiful church building is a well-used venue for concerts and recitals, blessed with incredible acoustics. The young adults of the church are passionate about music, so a concert was the logical way for them to mark and celebrate the centenary.

## Musicians performing on the evening include:

Elianie, who is a 16-year-old singer and songwriter. She has recorded some awesome songs, won numerous awards and is loved by Triple J. Check Elianie out on Spotify or Instagram@ elianiemusic.

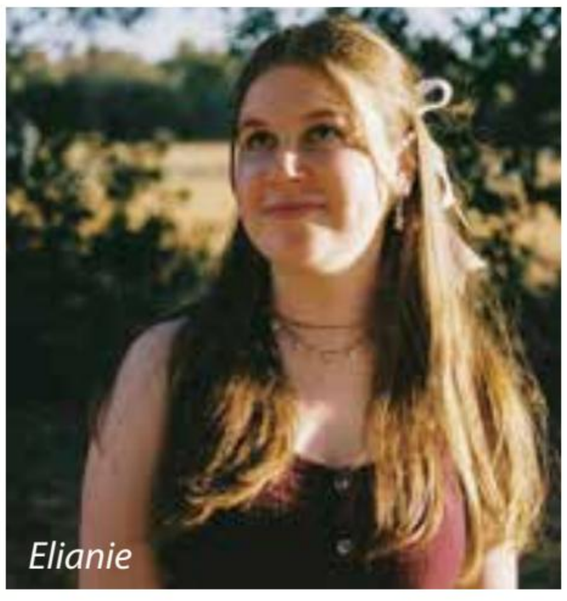
Joscelyn Leahy is a 19 year old classical guitarist studying music at UWA. She plays in numerous ensembles, has been mentored since a teenager by the Grigoryan Brothers, and also writes her own contemporary songs and sings beautifully.

Hannah Ryan is a 16 year old guitarist who has been playing and jamming with Rock Scholars for a number of years.

Annika Moses is a previous Robert Juniper Award recipient and former Trustee. Annika performs as Nika Mo, and runs workshops in remote indigenous communities in Far North WA. Annika is also Elianie's mentor, and will be conducting and joining with 9 other singers in a selection of 'a cappella' gospel numbers.

The church will be lit by candles, fairy lights and filled with flowers. Some of the pews will be removed for a comfy floor space at the front. Before the concert there will be a free sausage sizzle, and at the evening's conclusion, a dessert supper. The concert is aimed at all ages and everyone is welcome to come and celebrate the joy of music in our lives, community and the 'little stone church' at the heart of Darlington. There is no ticket fee but donations are welcome for the work of Ascension Connection in Midland.

*Annika*


*Elianie*

# My Place - Jason Whiteaker, CEO of the Shire of Mundaring

**Mundaring Shire launched into this year with a new leadership team: a new CEO at the helm and the first ever Shire President elected by the community. Both have a can-do attitude and a passion for community engagement that is refreshing.**

Having honed his leadership skills at the helm of two diverse country Shires – Collie and Northam – Mundaring's new CEO Jason Whiteaker says the top job came at the right time for him and his family.

"We're very family oriented, and while we all loved Northam, when the role in Mundaring came up, we felt it was time to transition from country to city, so we're closer to universities and career opportunities," says Jason. "And for me, there was the challenge of taking on an incredibly diverse Shire – understanding that the needs of urban Swan View for example are very different from those of Chidlow, and then you add State Forests and Water Catchments into the mix, along with uniquely different villages each with its own character and priorities. Looking at the Mundaring opportunity I felt that given my skill set and experience I could add some value.

"Ideally in this job, you want to keep in touch with the communities you're serving. That's what drives us as a Shire. That's what we're here for. Sometimes it's difficult to find the time given the size and complexity of the Shire, but it's a high priority for me to be out and about meeting people so I learn about their issues and challenges. I try to be as engaged and engaging as I can be – and I'm very aware that Mundaring residents are totally invested in how they want to see their Shire develop."

Economic Development and Tourism are focuses that the Shire of Mundaring have over the coming years. The new CEO says he's been engaging with the Mundaring Chamber of Commerce to better understand their priorities and he sees great business opportunities within the Shire, along with the tourism potential of hiking and biking, art galleries and other arts and cultural activities. "This is an area that has so much to offer and while West Australians have a real affinity with the coast, we need to let people know about the variety of tracks, trails and day trips on offer on the Scarp – which will benefit businesses such as cafes and restaurants. From my perspective, it's a matter of building on what has been achieved in the past and continuing to add value and promoting what is an already healthy level of tourism activities."

The Shire is also mindful of the current housing shortage in Western Australia. With this in mind it is advancing its plans to revitalise the Mundaring Town Centre, which includes a proposed Cultural hub as well as opportunities to increase accommodation offerings. Retirement accommodation is a potential key element of the town centre project. "As a community, being able to age in place is an important opportunity for our residents. It would be great to provide more options that help people transition out of larger blocks into smaller accommodation in our town centre which provides great access to services and facilities."

The centrepiece of revitalisation will be the multistorey cultural hub that will accommodate the Mundaring Arts Centre, Library and Toy Library, Child Health Clinic plus meeting rooms as well as potentially a commercial offering. This colocation of facilities will release land for residential and commercial develop in the heart of Mundaring and "will be the catalyst for drawing people into the centre and creating an environment where business feels it can be sustainable."

*Mundaring Shire CEO Jason Whiteaker and Shire President Paige McNeil.*

Working in local government can be challenging, especially when catering to a diverse community like Mundaring and it can be a real challenge to get widespread consensus for projects and initiatives. A good example is the recent roll out of Food Organics Garden Organics (FOGO) bins. While this program has been welcomed by many, FOGO has received its fair share of criticism, particularly on social media. However, it's worth remembering the Shire is supporting the State Government initiative to reduce (by 75 per cent) waste to landfill in the Perth/Peel region – and 50 per cent of our bin waste is organic. The move sees the Shire partnering with the Eastern Metropolitan Regional Council (EMRC) to reduce greenhouse gas emissions at a time when a surge in WA emissions is putting Australia's zero target in doubt.

"Council made a decision twelve months ago that implementing FOGO was in the best interests of our environment and our community," says Jason. "We realise that some people will not agree with this initiative – that's the challenge of decision-making on behalf of a large, diverse community. However, it's frustrating when people jump on social media to complain without truly understanding the benefits and opportunities of FOGO. In contacting Councillors and Council staff to express their views, some residents have been rude and abusive – this doesn't help and is entirely unfair to the staff who are just trying to do their job. I encourage our community to participate to the best of their ability, explore how they can effectively use FOGO, and consider ways to reduce their landfill waste. In recognising the importance of this initiative, we hope everyone will get on board."

Mundaring's CEO is clearly impressed with the commitment of the Shire's councillors and staff. "My role is to provide leadership and be the conduit between the elected Council and staff. What has struck me is the level of engagement from both Councillors and the staff. Both are really passionate about achieving for the community and committed to being part of a community-focused organisation. One of the challenges in a leadership role is not everyone will always agree with decisions that are being made, I do hope however that we are able to explain our decisions and that our residents can respect that."

It's also clear that the CEO's willingness to listen and opt for change when needed is appreciated by staff and councillors. "Jason's expertise and experience are welcomed and valued by Council and we're confident that his leadership and fresh energy will drive us forward into an exciting and community focused future," says Shire President Paige McNeil.

Shortly after this interview, the Shire President and Deputy Cr Trish Cook represented the Shire at the July Local Government Conference in Canberra. No doubt the pair made a formidable lobbying team when seeking Federal action on telecommunications in the Perth Hills and grants for the Mundaring revitalisation that will energise positive and culturally enriching change into the future.

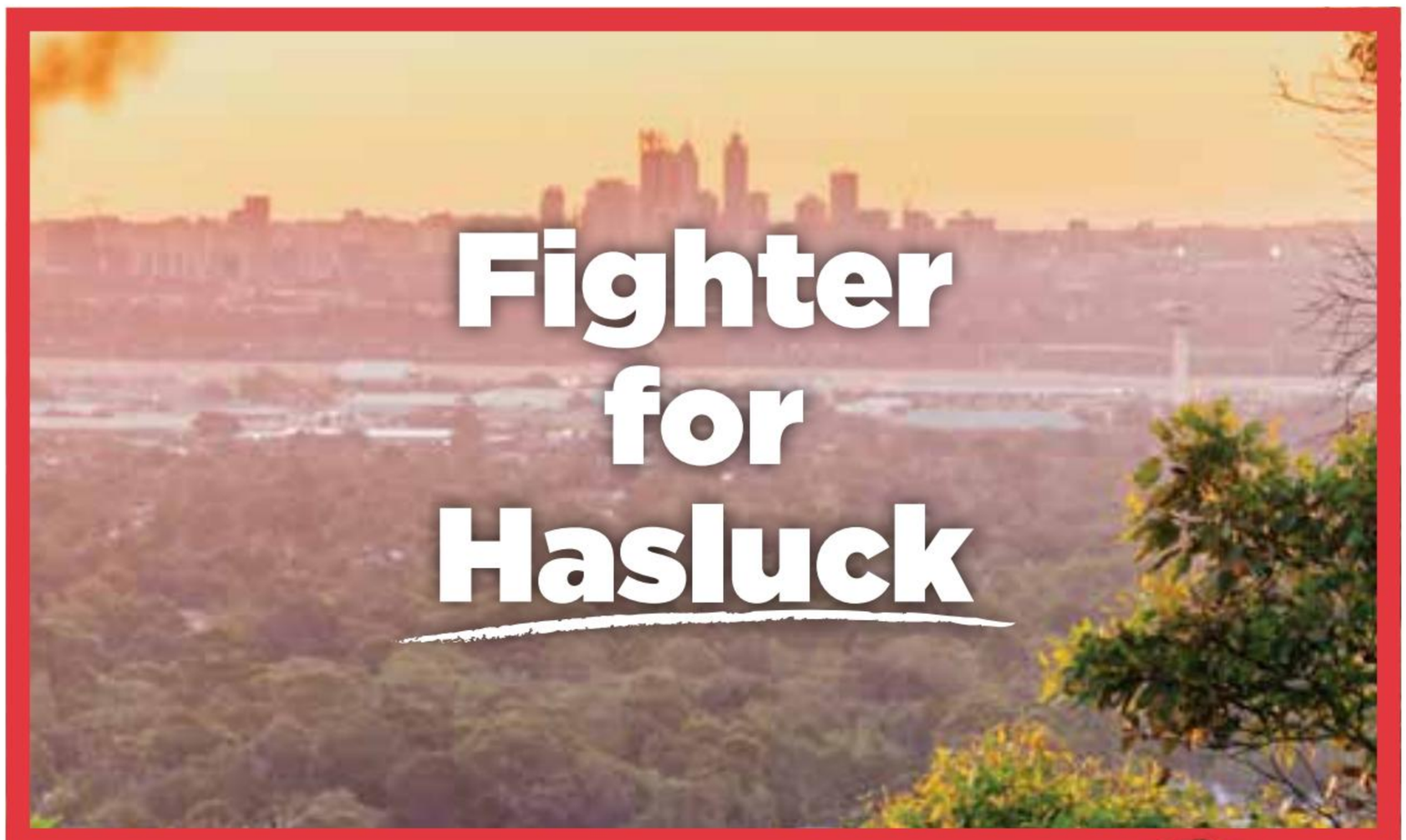
# PLUM
PLUMBING & GAS

All Plumbing and Gas
All Hot Water
Gas Installations
Extensions
Renovations
Owner builders
Leak Detection
Tap servicing
Retic cut-ins
Rainwater
Greywater

Locally owned and operated
Prompt and professional service
Fully licensed and fully insured
Pensioner discounts
Free quotes

**CARL GUY**
**0411325059**
PL#8298 GF#012882






**Tania Lawrence**
Your Federal Member for Hasluck

3/28 Main Street, Ellenbrook WA 6069
08 6245 3340
tania.lawrence.mp@aph.gov.au
Tania Lawrence MP

Authorised by Tania Lawrence, Australian Labor Party, U3, 28 Main Street, Ellenbrook WA 6069.



ADVERTISEMENT

*Here to help!*

# DONNA FARAGHER JP MLC

MEMBER FOR **EAST METROPOLITAN REGION**

Shadow Minister for **Community Services; Early Childhood Education; Seniors & Ageing; Youth**

Ground Floor, 108 Swan Street Guildford 6055
9379 0840 | faragher.eastmetro@mp.wa.gov.au

Authorised by D.Faragher, Ground Floor 108 Swan Street Guildford WA 6055

## Tania Lawrence | Member of Hasluck

**On the 10 August, I hosted the inaugural Hasluck Volunteer Awards, to celebrate the efforts of the local volunteers who make our community feel so welcoming and vibrant.**

We had nearly 70 nominees from the community, and nearly 200 friends and family members joined them to celebrate their achievements.

I want to share the stories of two nominees from the Darlington community, and thank them again for their contributions in fields that mean so much, yet often pass by quietly, without fanfare.

Grief will touch us all, and these times are definitely our time of greatest need. Grief counselling is a calling that demands emotional intelligence, professionalism – and deep reserves of selfless humanity.

Chantal Vanderhaegen volunteers for The Grief Centre of WA as an Administration and Engagement Officer, and was nominated to the Community and Multicultural category at the Volunteer Awards.

Chantal embodies dedication and adaptability, stepping up whenever needed, and her indomitable spirit and selflessness speak volumes, providing solace to grief-stricken clients with grace and compassion.

Sally Herzfeld from the Darlington Community Garden and Forrest Darlings Country Women's Association was also nominated in the Environment category to the Volunteer Awards.

Sally has devoted her lifetime to community. Now in her late 80s she continues to contribute weekly at Darlington Community Garden, supporting younger volunteers, baking cakes, welcoming new volunteers including teams from the Wooroloo Prison Farm and making them feel at home, and putting on nature playdays for local kids.

Until recently she was also the treasurer of the Forrest Darlings Country Women's Association, which she helped to found 5 years ago.

This environmental work is all in addition to the work she does teaching peaceful reconciliation techniques to inmates in prisons, and her work at the Refugee Centre in Mirrabooka.

Sally's volunteering work is astoundingly diverse, and makes an enormous contribution to the beautiful environment in Darlington, and to our community and society overall. As the runner up at this year's awards in her category, I want to thank Sally again for her lifetime of volunteering and selfless dedication.

In hosting these awards, I was assisted by Paige McNeil, President of the Shire of Mundaring who presented the Environment category awards, and Deputy Mayor Trish Cook who presented the Community and Multicultural Category.

It was wonderful to have so much support and warmth in the room for Chantal and Sally, and for all of the volunteers on the night.

## Donna Faragher JP MLC | Member for East Metropolitan Region

**Children's Book Week is Australia's longest running children's festival with early learning centres, schools and public libraries around the country spending the week promoting the importance of reading and celebrating Australian authors and illustrators.**

This year's Book Week has once again brought fun and excitement across the East Metropolitan Region with plenty of story-telling and fun-filled parades showcasing characters from many well-loved books and stories and all in line with the Week's theme of 'Reading is Magic'.

It was a particular delight for me to visit St Brigid's College, Glen Forrest Community Kindergarten and Infant Jesus School in Morley to donate some books for their libraries and to read a couple of my favourites to some very enthusiastic students!

Encouraging children from an early age to read, share and listen to stories is a great way to stimulate their imagination and helps develop critical literacy, language and comprehension skills.

During August, I also attended a special Vietnam Veterans Day service hosted by the Kalamunda RSL Sub-Branch. Each year on the 18th of August, the anniversary of the Battle of Long Tan, Vietnam Veterans Day is recognised.

This Day, originally known as Long Tan Day, recognized the servicemen who fought in the Battle of Long Tan in 1966. This defining battle saw 17 lives tragically lost in action and 25 wounded, one of whom died a few days later. Over time, the

day has grown to now provide an opportunity to recognise the more than 60,000 Australians who served throughout the War.

We honour those who lost their lives in battle, those who returned home wounded and ill, and those who continue to carry the emotional scars and trauma arising from their service. It is also a day to acknowledge their families and those who supported, and who continue to support them today.

**Lest We Forget.**

# ORANGE
## PLUMBING
*Your own local Plumber*

**All General & Emergency**
**Plumbing 24/7, Blocked drains,**
**Hot Water, Gas fitting,**
**Leak detection & repair,**
**Sanitary, Bathroom & Kitchen Plumbing,**
**Retic, Pool/Pumps, Backflow**
**Central Heating, Chimney Sweep**

NO JOB TOO SMALL
REASONABLE RATES

Chris & Mariette Tanneau
Glen Forrest WA 6071
0498 475 033 / 0499 168 191
Email : tanneaus@gmail.com
ABN 47813785247 - PL 9260 GF 020235

MASTER PLUMBERS & GASFITTERS ASSOCIATION OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

WATER waterwise

# JUSTICE
ELECTRICAL AND COMMUNICATIONS
EC 10315
PH 0477 904 930

## NEED A LOCAL ELECTRICIAN?

We offer complete electrical solutions to our residential and commercial clients.

**Our services include:**

- All Light and Power Services
- Telephone and Internet
- Testing and Faults
- Pole Replacements

**CALL DARREN**

0477 904 930
justiceelectrical@bigpond.com

ADVERTISEMENT

# Matthew Hughes MLA JP
## Member for Kalamunda Electorate

**Contact your local MP:**

**Kalamunda Office:**
Shop 9, Kalamunda Central
Railway Road, Kalamunda WA 6076

**Mundaring Office:**
Wednesday - Friday 9am to 12
By Appointment only
3/7160 Great Eastern Highway, Mundaring
(Next to Patch of Country Cafe)

9293 4747
kalamunda@mp.wa.gov.au
Matthew Hughes MLA

**Community First**

# Councillor's Column South Ward | Cr Trish Cook | Shire of Mundaring

## Council Plan 2024-2034

**You may recall receiving a Shire survey in your letterbox which was circulated to every household in the Shire earlier this year. Thank you! An outstanding 3014 surveys and follow up workshops with volunteers were completed. Information is recorded as part of our Shire Scorecard which is now part of our Shire of Mundaring 10-year Council Plan 2024-2034.**

Our collective vision for the Shire as *The Place for Sustainable Living* incorporates sustainability in all Shire processes including environment/biodiversity protection and bushfire safety. The Plan and Scorecard are available on mundaring.wa.gov.au see Council / Planning, Reporting and Governance/ Plans and Strategies.

## Rate Increases

Councillors understand that cost of living pressures is a real problem for many in our Shire. The Shire itself is not immune to inflation and wage increases. Council have now passed the 2024/25 increase in rates for residential properties at 3.6%, noting that this is just under the inflation rate of 3.8%. Modest increases of fees and charges have also been passed, noting that the rubbish charges have not increased and swimming pool spectator fees have been abolished. If you are struggling with paying your rates, please check out the Shire website Home/ Council/Rates and speak with a Shire officer for alternative arrangements.

## Structure Plan 34 (SP34) North Stoneville

Council unanimously directed the CEO to make an application to make a submission to the State Administration Tribunal Review DR189/2020 – Satterley Property Group and WA Planning Commission. Should the application be approved, the submission will be prepared by Shire legal and planning team and will highlight the firm previous decisions of Council not to support this SP34 for urban development, due to concerns regarding bushfire risk, public safety, traffic issues, environmental and open space issues, and, future effects and responsibilities of the Shire. If the application to make a submission is accepted the submission will be made available on the Shire's website in due course. Note that the Shire's request to rezone this land to Rural Residential has been deferred until this matter is settled. The applicant will also require Federal environmental approval which is a separate though parallel process.

Kind regards, Cr Patricia (Trish) Cook

*Note: These views are my own. President Paige McNeil is the official spokesperson for the Shire of Mundaring.*

# Matthew Hughes MLA JP | Member for Kalamunda

## Overhaul of century-old evidence laws to better support victims

**Landmark reforms to Western Australia's century-old evidence laws have been introduced into State Parliament. This important legislation modernises and updates the laws regarding evidence in WA. It represents the most significant reform to Western Australia's evidence law in more than 100 years.**

The Evidence Bill will repeal the ***Evidence Act 1906*** and replace it with a modern Act that introduces a version of Uniform Evidence Law.

The Bill is an important part of the Cook Government's response to family violence, making legislative changes that further protect and support victims of family violence during court proceedings.

The evidence reforms will:

- extend the ability for expert evidence to be given to address stereotypes, myths and misconceptions of family and domestic violence to civil cases;
- make audio and/or visual recorded statements, such as those captured by police body-worn cameras, admissible as a complainant's evidence in chief in certain circumstances;
- codify areas of impermissible cross examination of witnesses, such as questioning that is harassing, intimidating, offensive, oppressive or humiliating;
- provide that family violence complainants in superior courts will be automatically considered special witnesses, meaning the victim-survivor may be able to access modifications and supports where appropriate (e.g. support persons, support animals, communications partners);
- introduce witness assistance measures, including a witness intermediaries service, to support certain witnesses to give evidence to the court. This was a recommendation of the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse and brings WA into line with other jurisdictions; and
- prohibition of the 'Longman direction', which is currently required to be given about the potential impact of the passage of time on the reliability of evidence, often to the detriment of complainants in historical sexual and family violence offence matters.

The proposed legislation goes a significant way to balance the scales of justice so that they are no longer weighted against the victim during court proceedings.

The changes will make the law more easily accessible and reduce complexity in court proceedings by, for example, ensuring there is one set of evidence laws which will apply in WA State courts and courts in WA exercising federal jurisdiction.

These reforms are another example of the Cook Government's strong commitment to ensuring Western Australian laws prioritise the safety of Western Australian victim-survivors, and support victim-survivors of family violence during what can be an overwhelming and retraumatising experience of court proceedings.

# SHOP LOCAL

and support your local businesses

Music Together

Pitter Patter Music Together

Share the joy of family music ♫

Try a free class!

Fun Music & Movement for 0-5yrs
Thursday Mornings - Darlington
Wednesdays - Vic Park ♫ Fridays - South Guildford

Rachel 0400 804 707
www.pitterpattermusictogether.com.au

Live your life more clearly.

Book an Eyetest today

9295 3144

MUNDARING Spectacle Maker

Mundaring Medical Centre, next to Aldi

# Peaceful Pathways to Conflict Resolution

## BASIC WORKSHOP
## Sat 14th & Sat 21st Sept 2024

Mount Lawley – Address on registration

9.00am until about 5.00pm each day

Lunch, morning & afternoon teas provided.

Cost: $120 waged,
$60 concession

(if payment is a concern, please contact Selene or Sally)

AVP is an *international non-religious, not-for-profit organisation*, based on nearly 50 years of experience.

In a *supportive and safe environment*, participants explore strengths and skills within themselves that will enable them to deal with future conflict or potentially violent situations in a more constructive and pro-active manner.

In a *Basic Workshop*, guided experiences and exercises focus on *Affirmation, Communication, Co-operation, Community Building, Trust and Conflict Resolution*.

If you would like to register for this workshop, call Selene 0428 730 530 or Sally Herzfeld 9299 6788 or please email avp.wa1@gmail.com

AVP Alternatives to Violence Project Western Australia

# Darlington Ratepayers and Residents Association (DRRA)

"Preserving the character of Darlington and safeguarding the interests of its ratepayers and residents - Since 1909"

**The DRRA meeting on 8 August 2024 for the 'Conversation' was attended by 32 community members and chaired by DRRA Chair, Louise Stelfox. It was an unformatted evening, where attendees were invited to share their thoughts on Darlington, what matters to them, with issues needing to be addressed.**

Attendees included Cr Trish Cook and Cr Luke Ellery.

## Bike jumps

A mother, and a family, raised the concerns of Darlington's youth that bike jumps they'd created and enjoyed on the south side of Dreghorn Road, had been removed. A reasoned discussion took place with concern for better communication between all parties at the heart of it. The facts surrounding the demolition of the bike jumps were established, and misinformation clarified. The land on which the bike jumps were created is Crown land, categorised as Reserve, managed by the Department of Planning Lands and Heritage (DPLH). It is not managed by the Shire and the Shire was not involved in the removal of the jumps. DPLH removed the jumps following concerns from local residents. It was determined that this matter needs a separate forum for a full discussion by interested parties. DRRA offered to host a conversation about bike jumps, subject to advice from community.

## Community Conversation

Topics raised:

- Geoff Cammell proposed a project for local high school students whereby a 3D topographical and geological model is built to display Darlington, pre-development, with guidance and mentoring by Darlington's geologists, potentially fostering careers in geoscience
- Village feel and character – the legacy DRRA has created in maintaining the character of the village by ensuring infrastructure is sympathetic to the village aesthetic
- Darlington Towards 2060 Plan Our vision for the Future, and the Darlington Locality Plan were developed following careful consultation with the community (accessed via the Darlingtonvillage.org) DRRA will place copies of these documents on the community noticeboard near the Hive Cafe
- More aged care residential properties like The Glen are required to allow community members to remain within the village whilst down-sizing
- Darlington's community, its social capital, the values of its people, the many volunteers, clubs and organisations; its networks, and the sense of belonging that comes from participating. The long tenure of the Darlington Review was flagged as key in the creation of Darlington's social culture and fabric
- Roads: we need to be mindful of keeping the village feel, as widened, straightened roads result in faster vehicles, safety issues and wildlife fatalities
- Village feel and character: Darlington is the way it is because people fought and continue to fight development proposals which would result in the village becoming suburbia, and we work together to preserve what we have. It is vigilance and careful consideration of proposed changes that stops suburban creep. DRRA works to ensure infrastructure is sympathetic to the village, e.g., soft curbs, red pavements (not white), mellow street lighting, retention of habitat trees. Darlington residents want the Shire of Mundaring to act on the residents' behalf, to do things with us, not to us
- Housing affordability and rental availability concerns
- Public transport: do we need to solely rely on cars? A former Transperth driver advised that Transperth's 321 bus passes Helena College High school, Helena College Primary school, Darlington Primary, goes up Hillsden, Lionel and Darlington Roads to the GE Highway, and is frequently empty
- Heritage: Val Shiell from the History group advised there are one hundred, 100 year-old houses in Darlington
- Mature native and introduced trees, including Habitat Trees: we need to preserve them
- Accessibility to Nature, bush walks and wildlife; quendas, parrots and threatened black cockatoos
- Families moving into Darlington - do they have the same values and vision as Darlington's Towards 2060 Plan and the Darlington Locality Plan? Is there a way to disseminate information about these Plans?
- The need for pamphlets from DRRA for new families moving into the village, to welcome them and let them know what Darlington offers.

Thanks to all who attended and contributed to an enjoyable evening. The topics raised will be the subject of future DRRA meetings.

An example of Darlington's social capital, since the 1970's, Peter Day has single-handedly rid Darlington of the weed, Watsonia. Pictured in Greenmount National Park (photo: Louise Stelfox).

## PETITION

The WA State Planning has eroded local governments' powers to address planning applications, and to the public's ability to comment, meaning there's less rigour WA's planning application process. For example, for any development exceeding $2million, an applicant may fast-track an application via a Development Assessment Panel, with only two Shire councillors attending. To ensure a democratic, transparent and representative planning process in WA, please consider signing the petition below - as eventually you'll be impacted, without your knowledge or consent. Closing date is 16 September 2024.

Click on this address to access the Petition, entering your post code without 'WA' and clicking submit. https://www.parliament.wa.gov.au/Parliament/LCePetitions.nsf/petitions/24-0020

COOL, CALM AND CONSCIOUS

REMEDIAL MASSAGE THERAPY

CERTIFIED REMEDIAL MASSAGE THERAPIST

MYOFASCIAL RELEASE | DEEP TISSUE MASSAGE
PREGNANCY MASSAGE | TRIGGER POINT THERAPY
LYMPHATIC DRAINAGE | HOT STONES | CUPPING
REFLEXOLOGY | REIKI | ENERGY HEALING

HEALTH FUND REBATES AVAILABLE

LOCATED IN DARLINGTON, PERTH HILLS

WWW.COOLCALMANDCONSCIOUS.COM.AU

WEBSITE

CALL CHARMAINE ON 0400 787 885

MASSAGE & MYOTHERAPY AUSTRALIA

Book appointment here

ALPHA ZETA ELECTRICAL
EC12595

## Your local Darlington electrician

- Advice, supply, installation and maintenance
- All types of electrical work, all jobs big and small
- Servicing the Perth Hills and Metro area

**For a free visit to discuss your electrical needs, contact:**

**Aaron Hearne**
Owner/Electrician

**m** 0408 930 458
**e** aaron@alphazetaelectrical.com.au

# SUMMER CREEK RESTAURANT BREWERY

- Heritage listed property.
- Situated on 98 acres with relaxing views overlooking undulating paddocks
- Wood fired pizza oven in which we also cook our roasts
- 16 bee hives from which we produce our own honey and honey Ice cream
- We make our own bread and pizza bases
- We brew our own beers
- Open Friday, Saturday and Sunday 11am to 8pm (summer time)
- Coaches and group bookings accepted
- Venue for Hire
- Accredited Tourism business
- Only 40 minutes from Midland

Quality Tourism Accredited Business

9 Yates Street, Bakers Hill WA 6562 | **9574 1387**

# Darlington Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade

**REMEMBER**

**000** is the **ONLY** number to ring for all fire and smoke sightings.

- **The** ComCen **will page our members who are on duty.**
- **For general Brigade enquiries please ring** 9299 7217. Station hours: **Saturday 9am-10:30am.**
  Web: **darlingtonfire.org.au** • Facebook: **Darlington Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade** • Instagram: **dvbfb_**
- Next Brigade meeting: Tuesday, September 10, 2024 at the Darlington Fire Station.

**We are potentially only a month away from the first Restricted Burning period of the coming fire season, so now is the time to start thinking about preparing your property ahead of the warmer weather. Begin planning and creating an "asset protection zone" around your home (the Shire recommends a 20m protection zone).**

You should also begin to maintain and start clearing your firebreaks. Correctly prepared and well-maintained firebreaks, 3m wide and 4m high, assist with access to, and the control of bush fires, and may help contain the spread of bush fires that occur. Non-compliance with firebreak regulations may result in a fine of up to $5000 and could ultimately lead to the loss of property and life. Requirements for firebreaks are contained in the Shire of Mundaring's Firebreak and Fuel Load Notice (via the Shire's website). The Shire also provides this information, along with property inspections, through a free service provided by their Fire Hazard Inspection Officers, contactable on 9290 6696.

Something else to consider before the summer weather arrives is to prepare and plan for potential bush fire threats and risks. Talk with your family, neighbours, tenants, and friends, and start discussing things like;

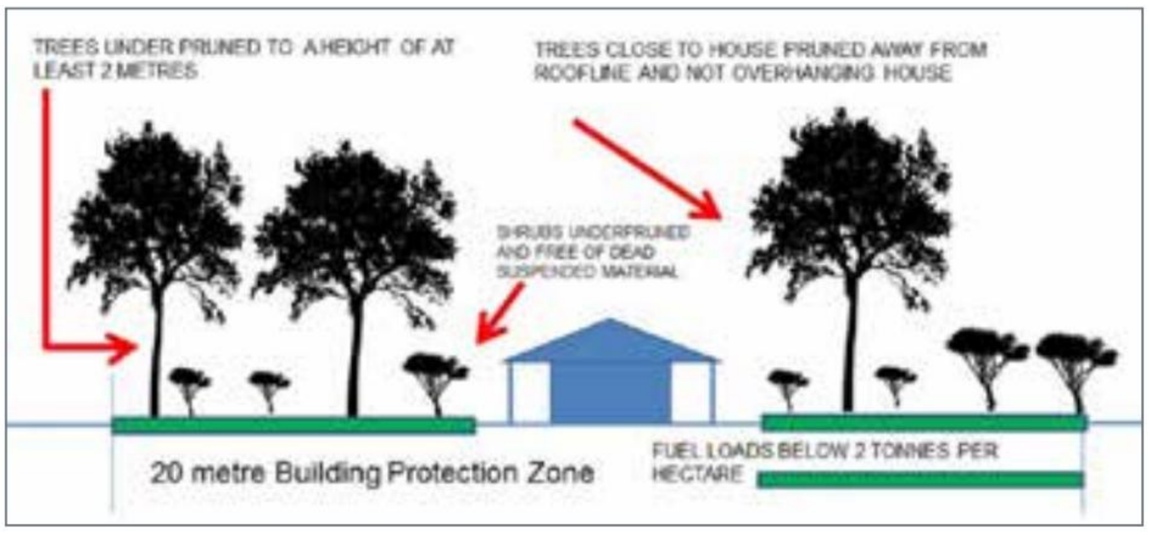
- Preparing and packing your emergency/evacuation kits (don't forget your pets/animals)
- Preparing an emergency/evacuation plan for your home (practice it with your children)
- Backing up, copying, and/or storing your important documents (not just the family photos!)
- Learning the four levels of Fire Danger Ratings and the actions you should take at each level (**Moderate:** *Plan and prepare*, **High:** Be ready to act, **Extreme:** *Take action now to protect your life and property*, Catastrophic: *For your survival,* leave bushfire risk areas)

The Australian Fire Danger Rating System
Get to know the changes – they could save your life.
Moderate: Plan and prepare.
High: Be ready to act.
Extreme: Take action now to protect your life and property.
Catastrophic: For your survival, leave bushfire risk areas.
When there is minimal risk, Fire Danger Ratings will be set to 'No Rating'.
DFES
HOW BUSHFIRE IS YOUR PLAN?
AFDRS

- Creating or reviewing your bushfire plan, and ensuring it is adaptable for the different levels of fire danger. (Go to mybushfireplan.wa.gov.au, or download the app)

Please, don't leave your personal protection and property preparation until it's too late. Even if you and your property are very well prepared, homes cannot withstand fires in Catastrophic conditions, and it is too dangerous to stay.

An often-overlooked element of semi-rural and large lot living is the property owner's responsibility for power infrastructure on their property. Poorly maintained and fallen power poles, and sagging and damaged wires on private land have been the cause of fires in the past, yet they are a cause that is entirely preventable. Western Power can advise you if you are responsible for any power poles and power lines on your property and can also provide information on the safe maintenance of these assets. If you do have power infrastructure on your property, please have it regularly inspected by authorised contractors. Remember, never do your own electrical work, it is dangerous and illegal. Always use a licensed electrician.


TREES UNDER PRUNED TO A HEIGHT OF AT LEAST 2 METRES
TREES CLOSE TO HOUSE PRUNED AWAY FROM ROOFLINE AND NOT OVERHANGING HOUSE
SHRUBS UNDERPRUNED AND FREE OF DEAD SUSPENDED MATERIAL
20 metre Building Protection Zone
FUEL LOADS BELOW 2 TONNES PER HECTARE

Whilst the cooler and damper weather over recent months has meant no fire callouts recently, our volunteer members have still been hard at work preparing, planning, and most importantly training for the coming fire season. Over the past several weeks our leadership team have been conducting a variety of practical, skills-based activities including off road driving, pump operations and hose work, skills refreshers and equipment maintenance. Over the winter months our members contribute many volunteer hours, preparing to provide an emergency service to the community.

The Darlington Brigade may also be able to help if you have concerns about high fuel loads on your property leading up to the coming fire season. As a property owner, you can request the Brigade to undertake a Hazard Reduction Burn on your property by calling us on 9299 7217 or visiting the Station from 9 – 10.30 am on a Saturday morning. An authorised officer will visit your property to discuss your requirements and provide a quote. (HRBs are subject to weather and environmental considerations) These burns also provide valuable opportunities for training, skills refreshing and development of Brigade members. If you are conducting your own burns, please be aware of weather conditions (especially winds), permit requirements, Fire Danger Ratings and any bans, and register your burn with DFES on 9395 9209.

*"The Shire is fortunate in having so many men whose sense of duty and responsibility causes them to accept the work of Bush Fire Prevention as an essential job."* ~ John Moore, former Mundaring Shire Clerk, 1967.

Ricky Harvey

**Harold of the Hills**

**Rose Pruning**
**Garden Tidy Ups**
**Whipper Snippering,**
**Small Chainsaw Work**
**Rubbish Removed**
**General Garden Work**

**Tel: 9299 8538**
**Mobile: 0407 088 550**

Police Clearance



SHIRE OF MUNDARING

# COMMUNITY GRANTS program

## Quick Grant Round opens 20 September

Eligible community groups can now apply for up to $500 towards the purchase of small equipment, training, promotional material and any other small projects that benefit the local community.

Search for Community Grants on the Shire website for funding guidelines or phone 9290 6678 to discuss, particularly if applying for the first time.

Applications must be submitted at mundaring.smartygrants.com.au by 4pm Monday 21 October 2024.

Shire of MUNDARING



The PoolShop GROUP
thepoolshopgroup.com.au

**Dependable. Transparent. Traditional Service with a Modern Twist to Pool & Spa Maintenance.**

For 16 years, we've been the go-to solution for pool owners in Perth Hills and surrounding areas. Our services are fast, reliable, and friendly, covering everything from green pool restorations to equipment repair and supply. We specialise in troubleshooting problem pools, installing pool blankets, and offering expert advice on robot pool cleaners. Trust us to keep your pool in top condition so you can enjoy hassle-free swimming all year round.

**THE POOL SHOP KALAMUNDA**

**19 Canning Road, Kalamunda**
**Call Phil: (08) 9293 1356**
**kalamunda@thepoolshopgroup.com.au**
**thepoolshopgroup.com.au**

**The Pool Shop Group Locations and Service Centres: Mundaring. Floreat. Kalamunda. Ellenbrook**

# Darlington Bushwalk Series

**Contact Details:** Phone 9299 6696 email: cliffburns@iprimus.com.au

## We are now half-way through the Walking Season:

**Eleven 2024 walks completed. Between 31 and 40 walkers participated in recent walks.**

**Walk No. 8** was conducted in the excellent Mahogany Creek bushlands. It is of real concern that some areas of the bush in this area are badly affected by Dieback. We keep strictly to the trails and make sure we spray our boots before and after such walks in an effort not to spread the Dieback Water Mould.

**Walk No. 9** was a very different walk. It was real treat to walk along the beach at Woodman Point (Coogee). A few of the walkers in the photograph below. The adjacent parklands are excellent especially for a family day out.

**Walk No. 10** was alongside the Canning River. Lots to see with the swampy shoreline, paperbark trees and birdlife. We even had to negotiate a sloppy, muddy section but that is all in a day's walking. It had been raining for a few days prior.

**Walk No. 11** was in the excellent bushlands surrounding Mt Dale, one of the highest hills in the area. Living in Western Australia, we are so privileged to enjoy such wonderful natural bushlands. Parts of this walk were conducted on the Bibbulmun Track.

## Some quotes to get us Moooooooving!!

- "Walking is the answer. Who cares what the question is."
- "There is no wifi in the bush, but you will find an excellent connection."
- "I'd rather be hiking in the rain, than doing nothing on a beautiful day."
- "Over the hills, through the bush, down the river, up the valley, around the boulders and alongside the streams to nowhere in particular."
- "Walking costs nothing but is an excellent investment in your health and fitness."

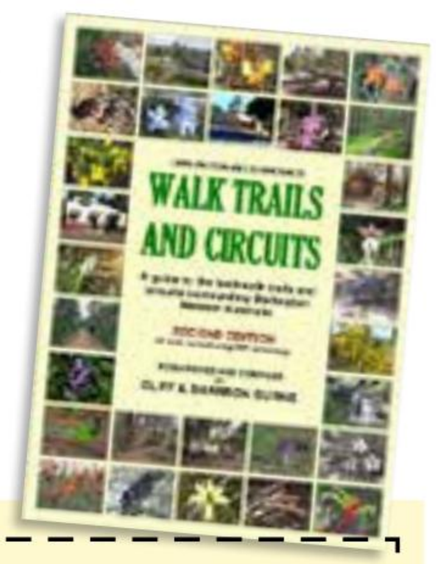
## "Bushwalk News"

Ask to be placed on the "Bushwalk News" email list, and you will receive all the new information "hot off the press".

## All walk bookings by email

Bookings have been very heavy so don't miss out. Simply email Cliff cliffburns@iprimus.com.au for further information or to make a booking. You can book the whole season or individual selected walks.

## Darlington "Walk Trails and Circuits" publication – 2nd Edition




This 26 page book includes almost every trail or track in the Darlington surrounds. For your $10 copy contact Cliff and Sharron.

See you on the track.

***Cliff Burns (Organiser and Guide) 9299 6696***

# Darlington Bush & Variety Walk Series

## BOOKINGS NOW OPEN (# indicates a new walk)

**Residents invited - Sunday morning bush and variety walks.**

**Sunday mornings** ($5 each) **& "Fantastic Forest Escape" Adventure Weekend.**

**For programme, info. & bookings:**

**Email: cliffburns@iprimus.com.au**
**Phone: Cliff Burns 9299 6696**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Sept. | Sun. 1 | # Mundaring Weir – Helena River Loop |
| | 6 - 9 | FANTASTIC FOREST ESCAPE Adventure |
| | Sun. 15 | # Roleystone Pools, Cascades & Bushlands |
| | Sun. 22 | Grevillea Mycumbene Bushlands |
| | Sun. 29 | Bold Park - Floreat |
| Oct. | Sun. 6 | # Kelmscott and Water Channel |
| | Sun. 13 | # John Forest Pk (Litchfield) & WIND-UP |

# Darlington History Group

## Guest Speaker Programme Resumes

**September 11th, 7:30pm at Lesser Hall Darlington**

### "Show and Tell - Hidden Treasures Found In Your Home"

We will be delving into the fascinating world of unexpected discoveries made by chance, during home renovations, and landscaping projects. Ranging from mysterious bottles to convict artefacts and transportation memorabilia, each find offers a unique glimpse into our local past and reveals a story waiting to be shared. Items will be displayed for viewing, so don't miss this opportunity to connect with fellow history enthusiasts and explore the hidden gems that preserve our local heritage. Refreshments will be served after the talk. Gold coin donation appreciated. Please contact Val 9299 6868 for more information.

## Notice of Annual General Meeting

It's time for our AGM! We invite all members and interested parties to join us for our Annual General Meeting, which will take place on Wednesday 9th of October at 6:30pm at the Lesser Hall. This is your opportunity to hear about our achievements over the past year, get involved in the future direction of our organisation, and consider joining the Committee. Your participation is vital to our success, and we look forward to your attendance.

## DAF Fundraising - Bric-A-Brac Donations

With the cooler weather, it's now a great time to declutter. We are on the lookout for any of your unwanted bric-a-brac items, to be put to good use for fundraising efforts at the upcoming Darlington Arts Festival. Unfortunately, due to storage and handling issues, we can no longer accept books.

Please call Liz 0427 952 491 or Christine 0490 793 015 to arrange pickup.

## Memberships are now due

We welcome you to join our club and learn more intriguing stories from the past with fellow enthusiasts! For just $5.00, you can actively participate or support us as a silent member while helping to preserve Darlington's rich heritage.

Renewal date for all members is August 31st. Visit our website for more details, www.dhg.org.au


The Darlington Review has been praised in State Parliament. It is a well-loved institution informing and binding the community since the 1950s – and it's the very best advertising option, along with word-of-mouth. The Darlington Review is delivered free to all local households and low advertising rates make it easily affordable. We have it on good authority – local tradies – that it's the only advertising you may need to do.

Get in touch with our Advertising Manager **Julie Stuurstraat**
**advertising@darlingtonreview.com.au** or **0412 225 613**

DARLINGTON REVIEW

**Display Advertising Rates**
1/2 page $165 (19 x 13 cms)
1/3 page $132 (12.5 x 13 cms)
1/6 page $66 (6 x 13 cms)
**Classified Advertising Rate**
$10 for 4 lines; $5 for students
(See inside cover for details)

# Darlington Arts Festival

## News just in!

### The Darlington Arts Festival has a brand new website!

Darlington Arts Festival
Experience surprise, delight and connection
Sat 2 Nov 10am – 5pm | Sun 3 Nov 10am – 4pm
Darlington Village | Free Entry

**This is the place to go to find out everything you need to know about the festival.**

Be one of the first to explore the new website www.darlingtonartsfestival.com

If you've enjoyed the festival in previous years, you will know it is a wonderful celebration of art and community in our village. Delivered annually by a committed and passionate band of volunteers on the first weekend of November, the oval and surrounds will come alive with music, performers, art, artisan stalls, food trucks, kids workshops, rides, visual arts, outdoor sculpture and more!

The DAF Committee has been meeting regularly and getting everything in place for this year's event.

## Art entries open now!

All art categories are open now.

***The Open Art Exhibition***, the centrepiece of the Festival, features works from established and emerging artists across a range of mediums. It is a showcase of the rich creative talent from the Perth Hills community and beyond.

***Sculpture on the Scarp*** is an adventure filled with surprises and delights for all ages. This outdoor sculpture exhibition is an accessible and fun opportunity to experience art in a unique bushland setting. The Darlington Station Reserve comes alive with diverse artworks displayed along the trail, amongst the curated native understorey and suspended between the trees. Stroll along the old station platform from Glen Road to the main festival site to see sculpture crafted by some of Western Australia's finest sculptors.

If you are at primary or secondary school and a creator of art– show the world what you have been working on! Enter your artwork in our Junior Art or Youth Art exhibitions.

To keep up to date with opening and closing dates for art entries, and how to enter, check out our socials on Facebook and Instagram or visit our website.

## We need you!

Volunteers are the backbone of this event. We can't do it without you. Register to be a volunteer by by visiting darlingtonartsfestival.com/participate/volunteer and be part of the largest, volunteer-run community festival in Perth.

# Glen Forrest Bridge Club (GFBC)

**We have just had the Olympic games and all the excitement that goes with the games. Did you know that Bridge along with Chess, is a mind sport: the World Bridge Federation is recognised by the International Olympic Committee.** Just like every sport, Bridge offers enormous benefits to its players. It is enjoyed by tens of millions of people throughout the world – more so than any other card game. It is believed that Bridge can enhance team spirit, socialisation, the development of mental abilities and helps the brain to stay young and healthy. So many benefits to playing this interesting and challenging game.

We are so lucky to have our own great little Bridge Club here in the Hills at the Glen Forrest Sports Club. The great thing about Bridge, you can play at many different levels: you can play competitively or just socially.

Here are some reasons to join the club here in Glen Forrest:

- We are a friendly and supportive club. This is important, because many people new to bridge may feel intimidated at the prospect of being a beginner in the game.
- The stimulation of playing bridge and socialising is very good for the brain. Who would not appreciate that.
- Membership fees are very modest at $40 per annum with low session fees.
- Your membership to the bridge club also includes membership of the sports club so you may attend for social events, play bowls or pool, have drinks or light refreshments at the bar.
- For serious players we are a member of the Australian Bridge Federation, so you can earn points.
- Get to know other bridge players and make new friends.

Come and give it a go at Glen Forrest, learn, refresh your skills, or just play. We look forward to meeting you. Regular sessions are held on Monday and Wednesday afternoons, learners/social session Wednesday morning. 9,30-11.30.

Ring Ronnie 0419961711 or look us up at glenforrest.bridgeaustralia.org.

*Treat Yourself with us!*

# LASH AND BROW

*Services*

Brow lamination
lash lift
Tint
Waxing
Makeup

DAISY BEAUTY
LASH AND BROW

contact me

0481 333 949

daisy@daisybeauty.com.au

daisybeautyau

www.daisybeauty.com.au

PERTH HILLS EVENTS PRESENTS

## Gourmet in The Park

**28th September**
**Morgan John Morgan Reserve**
**Glen Forrest**
**10am to 3pm**

market stalls - entertainment - food trucks -
wineries - distilleries - gourmet stalls - free kids entertainment
Bring a picnic rug, the family and fur baby and enjoy the day under the trees.

# Katharine Susannah Prichard Writers' Centre

## Caruso Writer in Residency Program

**In 2025, the KSP Writers' Centre is proud to be hosting up to 20 residency placements for emerging Australian writers from diverse and marginalised backgrounds as part of our debut Caruso Writer-in-Residence Program**

Selected participants will have the opportunity to tune out the noise of everyday life and focus on the development of a creative writing project, by spending two weeks in one of our cozy cabins. All Caruso Writers-in-Residence will receive a substantial stipend, bespoke support to ensure accessibility, paid opportunity to present a workshop, paid opportunity to be interviewed, peer support, and publication of a short piece of work in an anthology. This pilot initiative is designed to amplify fresh voices in the literary world. It's a celebration of storytelling, inclusion, and the power of perspective.

**For more information on our residencies, competitions or other activities please visit the KSP website www.kspwriterscentre.com or phone 9294 1872. KSP Writers' Centre is proudly sponsored by the Shire of Mundaring.**

## Submit to our Annual Short Fiction and Poetry Competitions

**Short Fiction Deadline: 6 September 2024. YOUTH (up to 17 years): Free, limit of one entry per person. ADULT (18 plus): $10 per entry, no limit on entries.**

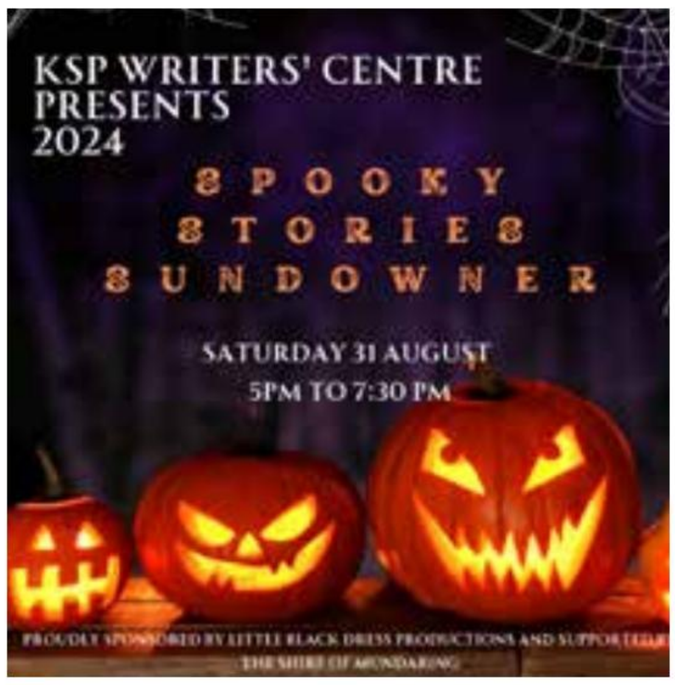
**Poetry Competition Deadline: 25 September 2024. YOUTH (up to 17 years): Free, limit of one entry per person. ADULT (18 plus): $10 per entry, no limit on entries. Annette Cameron Competition: $10 per entry, WA writers only.**

The KSP Writers' Centre is proud to present our annual competitions for Australian writers, which is FREE for youth to enter thanks to sponsorship from the Shire of Mundaring. Judges will be looking for good quality original, engaging and unpublished writing. In both poetry and short fiction, all styles and themes are acceptable.

## KSP Writers' Centre Annual Spooky Stories Sundowner.

**When: Saturday 31 August 2024, 5.00-7.30pm AWST at the KSP Writers' Centre.**

This free event celebrates the launch of KSP's 2024 spooky story anthology, featuring all the winning and shortlisted entries from the KSP 2024 Spooky Story Competition sponsored by Tabetha Rogers Beggs of Little Black Dress Productions. Register for your free ticket today!





# Advertisement Specifications

The Darlington Review has been praised in State Parliament. It is a well-loved institution informing and binding the community since the 1950s - and it's the very best advertising option, along with word-of-mouth.

The Darlington Review is delivered free to all local households and our low advertising rates makes it easily affordable. We have it on good authority from local tradies that it's the only advertising you may need to do. If you are interested and want further information get in touch with our Advertising Manager

**Julie Stuurstraat: 0412 225 613**
**advertising@darlingtonreview.com.au**

DARLINGTON REVIEW

1/6 page
**$66**
60mm wide
130mm high

1/3 page
**$132**
125mm wide
130mm high

1/2 page **$165**
**190mm** wide
**130mm** high

Technical Specifications*

1. 'Print' (or 'High') resolution PDF preferred (high-resolution JPG acceptable); (High resolution EG: An A4 (210x297mm) page should be a minimum of 10mb)
2. Fonts either embedded or converted to outlines (critical);
3. Colours set as CMYK (preferable) or RGB;
4. Images embedded (critical); and
5. Border 'keyline' optional.

(*Contact Production Manager for any clarification of specifications.)

Create Your
Tranquil Garden
Hardscape Specialists

- **Retaining Walls**
  Feature & Structural
- **Stone Work**
  Walls, Paving,
  Water Features

**DJL**
**Landscaping**

- **Landscape Design**
- **Paving**

*Bobcats, Excavators*
*& Truck Available*

Call Daniel
0419 865 172
AH: 9252 1453

HILLSDEN
SETTLEMENTS

Settlements, Conveyancing
and Property Law

**Elizabeth Buttfield,**
**Solicitor**
**0431 173 098**
**admin@hillsden.com.au**
**www.hillsden.com.au**

Kitchen, Laundry
& bathroom
cabinetry
All custom designed
and installed
OR
Make your tired old kitchen
look new again
With New bench tops
New doors, drawers plus
extra
Drawers all fitted with soft
close feature
Or have your flat pack
professionally installed
**Blair Cabinets**
**Brian**
0407997312
AH:92989701
Email:
blair.cabinets@bigpond.com

provincial
REAL ESTATE

**JASMINE FYFE**
Property Consultant

**EXPERT SKILLS:**
- **Communication**
- **Negotiation**
- **Contracting**

*"**Jasmine exemplifies professionalism. She has extensive market knowledge, a sound strategic marketing approach, and positive demeanour.** Her integrity is evident. Her legal expertise shines through, communications are transparent and honest, and maintain confidentiality. Her interactions are consistently timely, personable, and thoughtful and shows genuine empathy and connection. **Her attention to detail is unparalleled. Jasmine cannot be recommended highly enough.***
*Thomas, Darlington.*

I have extensive local knowledge and deep community ties to the Perth Hills, having grown up, gone to school, and returned to this area to raise my children. **With extensive experience as an international commercial lawyer for more than a decade, I bring expert communication, negotiation and contracting skills** to my role as your Property Consultant.

EXCEEDING our clients EXPECTATIONS again & again!

**JASMINE FYFE 0448 064 680**
jasmine@provincialrealestate.com.au

## Jane Brook

**Jane Brook runs from Mount Helena down through Parkerville to Swan View. We have been told by a local resident that in the 1920s and 1930s Jane Brook was like an adventure playground. Local children spent many hours playing along the banks and swimming in the water. These adventures are not as popular now due to lower water levels and pollution.**

Birds which were a regularly sight around the brook sadly are no longer seen. Blue Wrens, Robin Redbreasts and long legged Cranes among them. Gilgies and Marron are still there but not as abundant and even Trout were caught in those early days. Some locals said that Jane Brook used to run all year round. However we have been told by other locals that it hasn't been running in the Summer months for many years.

*Jane Brook Railway Bridge c1896*

*Swimming in Jane Brook at National Park in 1933*

For those who lived close, the brook was occasionally used as a refrigerator for household items, drinks, foodstuffs etc. These items could be kept cool by submerging them in the creek waters. We have heard stories about when the brook was raging, that it spread very quickly and nearly submerged a nearby resident's above ground pool. There is a story about a large 'S' bend at the brook at Parkerville which overflowed into Mr Young's paddock containing horses and caused it to flood. A large trench was dug at the base of the bend which alleviated the pressure on the brook and stopped the overflow. Although not as profuse as earlier years the brook still has abundant wildlife and birdlife.

For those of you who are interested, in 1996, the Shire of Mundaring prepared an integrated Catchment Management Plan to inform the Community of the general outcomes of the natural resources and land use and provide a foundation for the community to become involved in the objectives through workshops and subsequent meetings. This Plan was proposed to be incorporated into the Shire of Mundaring's Town Planning Scheme No. 3.

There is also a Jane Brook Catchment Group, who oversee the health of the brook and manage weeds and other pests.

**Mundaring and Hills Historical Society Inc.**
Mundaring Stationmasters House
3060 Jacoby St, Mundaring
Ph: 9295 0540 | E: mhhs@mundaringhistory.org

Providing the highest quality creative design solutions. Specialising in logo design, branding, brochures, books, magazines, exhibitions, posters, packaging and web.

KORE GRAPHIC DESIGN

**koredesign.com.au | 0419 987 762**

# Innovative Plumbing Solutions

## Plumbing & Gas Service PTY. LTD.

MAINTENANCE · REPAIRS · RENOVATION

- TAPS, TOILETS & CISTERNS
- HOT WATER SYSTEMS
- DRAIN BLOCKAGES
- LEAK DETECTION & REPAIR
- BURST PIPES & GAS LEAKS
- HOME PLUMBING REPORTS
- STRATA SERVICES
- RENOVATIONS & EXTENSIONS

**Call Andrew Hodgens TODAY on**

**0402 780 719**

info@ahplumbingandgas.com.au

**Present this advert for a 5% discount**

FREE QUOTES -
PENSIONER DISCOUNTS

PL 8282
GL 13486
BF 2281

**ahplumbingandgas.com.au**

AUSTRALIA POST

A quick stop for all your needs

DARLINGTON 1908 POST OFFICE

Gifts and Stationery

**Darlington**
**Post Office and Village Store**
**18 Brook Rd**
**Mon to Fri: 8:30am to 5pm**

EPSON hp Canon brother

INKPOWER

## Back to School

**All orders must be completed at Darlington Post Office by Friday 27th December 2024**

**Ink Cartridges**
**Smartrider**
**Passport Photos**
**Western Union**

**Bank@Post.**
**Post Billpay**
**Stationery**

# Forrest Darlings CWA

**This year the CWA of WA is celebrating its 100th birthday and the Forrest Darlings branch is also 5 years old.**

To celebrate the achievements and contributions of members across the years, a special afternoon tea celebration event will be held on Saturday 19 October. If you are a current or former CWA member residing in the Shire of Mundaring, please get in touch for your personalised invitation.

## Guildford Market – Sunday 15 September

This edition of the Stirling Square Markets will be a special event where a large number of CWA branches will be hosting stalls. Please come along and support us.

## Donations

Last month we received a generous donation of fabric from a kind community member. Donations of fabric and craft materials are always considered by the group, and will be used to make items that can be sold for fundraising or donated to local causes.

## Storage

The Forrest Darlings branch is seeking access to local storage facilities for the safe storage of our market stall supplies. If you have a dry storage space available, please get in touch.

## About your CWA Forrest Darlings Branch

Forrest Darlings is a friendly branch of the Country Womens Association which meets monthly at Darlington Pavilion. Guests and non members always welcome.

**Next meeting:**
**Wednesday 18 September 7pm**

For more information follow Forrest Darlings CWA on Facebook or call Treasurer Jen Woods 0417 173 478

# Baha'i Community of Mundaring

**Every year on 21 September, the United Nations invites the world to mark the International Day of Peace. This year's focus is "Cultivating a culture of peace".**

In a world mired by conflict, inequalities, and discrimination, striving to promote dialogue, empathy, and human rights for all becomes ever more imperative.

Baha'is believe that world peace is not only possible but inevitable, it is the next stage in the evolution of this planet. We can either unite voluntarily and establish peaceable relations between all peoples and nations, or we can wage enormously destructive and devastating wars, and by doing so be led, exhausted and depleted and defeated, toward a forced and enforced unification by absolute necessity.

Peace will come to humanity, Baha'u'llah wrote when humanity finally decides we have had enough war: "*These fruitless strifes, these ruinous wars shall pass away, and the 'Most Great Peace' shall come … and all men be as one kindred and one family. … Let not a man glory in this, that he loves his country; let him rather glory in this, that he loves his kind. …*"

One major conceptual barrier stands in our way of achieving peace, however. It is a paralysing contradiction. On the one hand, people of all nations proclaim not only their readiness but their longing for peace and harmony, for an end to violence. On the other, it is uncritically accepted that human beings are incorrigibly selfish and aggressive, that we are limited by our human nature, and thus incapable of erecting a social system that is progressive and peaceful.

As the need for peace becomes more urgent, this fundamental contradiction, which hinders its realisation, demands we all examine this commonly held view. Baha'is believe in the inherent, inborn nobility of the true human self. As our writings say: "*Noble have I created thee, yet thou hast abased thyself. Rise then unto that for which thou wast created.*" When we live according to our true nature, not a distortion of our human spirit we can look forward to real and lasting peace rather than an eternal future of violence and warfare.

The Baha'i Community of Mundaring invites you to join us as we walk a pathway towards peace. We will be hosting special events to commemorate the UN International Day of Peace as well as exploring the themes of Human Nature and Nobility in our study evenings. Look out for details of these events, (plus details of the next Community Conversations coffee morning and Bridges to Peace multifaith gathering, on our Facebook page.

Mundaring Baha'i Community | mundaring@wa.bahai.org.au | www.bahai.org.au

# DARLINGTON PAINTING SERVICE

FOR ALL YOUR
PAINTING & PROPERTY
MAINTENANCE JOBS

ALL JOBS
BIG & SMALL

QUALIFIED
TRADESMAN

CALL
RUPERT JOHN

0403 543 015

REG: 8119

---

Swan Hills Electrical
swanhillselectrical@gmail.com

## Paul Shearer
ELECTRICAL CONTRACTOR

Swan Hills Electrical
swanhillselectrical@gmail.com

ABN: 602 855 541 EC: 11280

**CONTACT US**
**0488 091 572**

*Electricity in all its phases, without the shocking price !*

---

DARLINGTON
# STUMP GRINDING AND TREE SERVICE

ABN: 36 468 996 008

- ✓ Tree pruning/removal
- ✓ Stump removal
- ✓ Mulching
- ✓ Firewood block splitting
- ✓ Quality professional work
- ✓ Fully insured
- ✓ Free quotes

*Brendon Thompson*
0427 250 566
bee-mail@bigpond.net.au

---

# Perth Hills Plumbing Gas

RESIDENTIAL & COMMERCIAL
MAINTENANCE • REPAIRS • RENOVATION

**Andrew Hodgens**
**0402 780 719**
info@perthhillsplumbing.com.au

- ✓ FREE QUOTES
- ✓ PENSIONER DISCOUNTS

VISA MasterCard

PL 8282
GL 13486
BF 2281

**Innovative Plumbing Solutions**

- HOT WATER SYSTEMS
- LEAK DETECTION & REPAIR
- HOME PLUMBING REPORTS
- RENOVATIONS & EXTENSIONS
- TAPS, TOILETS & CISTERNS
- STRATA SERVICES
- COMMERCIAL FITOUTS
- BACKFLOW TESTING & INSTALL
- GAS SUPPLY, SERVICE, REPAIRS
- GAS COOKTOPS & OVENS
- CCTV CAMERA INSPECTION
- BLOCKED DRAIN EQUIPMENT
- SEPTIC TANKS
- MINI EXCAVATOR WORKS

**perthhillsplumbing.com.au**

YOU ARE INVITED TO OUR

garden party

St Cuthbert's is beginning six months of centenary celebrations with a garden party that includes the local community - residents past and present.
**The celebration will take place in the church grounds on Saturday 14 September from 2pm.**
There will be refreshments, champagne and a couple of speeches reflecting on times past and present. You might recall some of your family's significant milestones that took place during the 100 years that St Cuthbert's has been a landmark of Darlington village.

## CENTENARY 2024 PROGRAMME

**Saturday 14 September:** A Garden Party in the grounds of St Cuthbert's . Everyone is welcome - we always love a party.

**TBA:** A Pilgrimage Walk through historical sites and bushland

**Saturday 12 October:** A Youth-run Centenary Celebration event for people of all ages from the Parish and the community. A sausage sizzle dinner will be followed by a concert in a candle-lit church. Performing at the concert will be the young people of the Parish and their various bands. We will celebrate the big part that music has played in the life of St Cuthbert's over the last 100 years.

**2-3 November:** A Festival of Flowers in the church including a plant sale and historic displays in the parish centre.

**February 2025:** An Organ Recital in the church by John Beaverstock

**Sunday 2 March 2025:** Service of celebration with the Archbishop presiding.

## *Celebrating 100 years of history at St Cuthbert's*

Thanks to Mike and Michelle who worked with the team from Wooroloo to get the grounds looking spic and span for the garden party next month. Great job!!

**WORSHIP IN THE STYLE OF TAIZE**
**6.30PM ON THE FIRST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH**

**Rector:** T: 0459 471 894
E: rector@hillsanglicans.com
Parish Office: 6292 0074
Email: info@hillsanglicans.com
Mail: PO Box 77 Darlington, WA 6070
Services: 9am Sunday and 2pm Friday

Find us on Facebook at Hills Anglicans
Website: www.hillsanglicans.com

# Tatania's Window Cleaning

- HOMES
- SHOPFRONTS
- OFFICES

TRACKS, FRAMES & FLYSCREENS INCLUDED

**Call Tatania**

**Mob: 0467 282 127**



# PEPPER Legal

FAMILY LAW (PROPERTY & PARENTING)

FAMILY DISPUTE RESOLUTION

CRIMINAL LAW (ADULTS & CHILDREN)

VIOLENCE RESTRAINING ORDERS

---

AMY PEPPER

Barrister & Solicitor

LLB (HONS) | BA | GDLP

2 MONTROSE AVE DARLINGTON WA 6070

ph: 0414600497

e: amy@pepperlegal.com.au

ABN 80609927344



# Building and Renovation services for the Perth Hills

- New Homes
- Renovations, Alterations and Additions
- Granny Flats and Studios
- General Building
- Building Inspections and Reports

Vogels BUILDING Reg No. 12061

P: 0414 838 131

E: info@vogelsbuilding.com

**vogelsbuilding.com.au**

## Bullet Journalling with Amanda Kendle

**Boya Community Centre, Monday 2 September, 10.30am to 11.30am.**

Bullet journalling is an ever-growing trend and it can help you be super-productive. It's like a combination between a to-do list, a planner, and a diary. Bullet journalling uses a method of symbols and logs to help you keep on track with everything you want to do in life, and create a record of what you've achieved. Amanda will show you what bullet journalling is, how to set up your own journal, describe her experience with bullet journalling and how it changed how she gets things done. Bookings essential for this free event at https://020924b.eventbrite.com.au

## Summer at the Santorini Bookshop: Rebecca Raisin in Conversation

**Boya Community Centre, Monday 9 September, 6pm to 7pm**

Join us for an entertaining evening with Rebecca Raisin as she discusses her latest novel *Summer at the Santorini Bookshop* with Elizabeth Lewis. A sun-drenched Greek island, a bookshop, a host of relatable characters, mystery, romance, and a flawed but immensely likeable heroine feature in this heart-warming book you won't want to put down. Rebecca Raisin is a best-selling WA author who has written immensely enjoyable books such as Elodie's Library of Second Chances, *Rosie's Travelling Bookshop*, and *The Little Venice Bookshop* - just a few of many delectable reads. Books will be available for purchase on the night courtesy of Dymocks Ellenbrook. Bookings are essential for this free event at https://090924b.eventbrite.com.au

## Protective Behaviours for Parents Workshop

**Boya Library, Thursday 12 September, 10am to 12pm**

Shire of Mundaring Libraries is pleased to host this workshop presented by Midvale Hub Parenting Service Perth (North East).

The workshop is for parents of children aged 0-13 years. The Protective Behaviours Parent Workshop is an internationally recognised personal safety program aimed at empowering children, young people and adults with strategies to promote safety, problem solving and resilience. Topics include: asserting their right to feel safe; identifying a trusted adult to talk to, recognising the signs their bodies give them when they may be unsafe; learn body safety rules and safety strategies; and learn the difference between safe and unsafe secrets. (Parents may bring babies under 5 months, but this session is not suitable for children to attend.) Bookings are essential for this free event at https://120924b.eventbrite.com.au

## Your Farewell Wishes with Julie Carlton

**Boya Library,Thursday 19 September, 10am to 12pm**

Start the conversation about what type of funeral, memorial or celebration of life you want to have. This workshop aims to empower you to embrace your own identity, creating an end-of-life plan that truly reflects your wishes and the unique person you. Bookings are essential for this free event at https://190924b.eventbrite.com.au

## Fresh Produce Swap Stands at the Libraries

If you have excess fresh homegrown produce - fruit, vegetables, herbs and seeds - you can drop them off to the Fresh Produce Swap stands at Mundaring and Boya libraries. The idea is to have somewhere to share excess produce with the community. You leave what you can, take what you need. Seeds are processed by Mundaring Seed Savers for the Mundaring Seed Library.

## ATO Tax Help at Boya Library

Need assistance completing your tax return? The ATO's community-based Tax Help program is a free and confidential service open to people earning about $60,000 or less each year. ATO-trained volunteers can help you lodge your return, claim a refund of franking credits, submit a non-lodgement advice or lodge an amendment. An ATO accredited Tax Help volunteer will be available weekly at Boya Library from Wednesday 4 September from between 10am and 3pm. Bookings are essential.

Australian Government
Australian Taxation Office
Need help lodging your tax return?
TAX HELP
The free Tax Help program can help you lodge
To see if you're eligible and book an appointment, visit ato.gov.au/TaxHelp

For more information about the Tax Help program, visit ato.gov.au/taxhelp or call 13 28 61. To book an appointment with the ATO Tax Help volunteer at Boya Library, call 9290 6755.

# Mundaring | Midland Junction Arts Centre

MUNDARING ARTS CENTRE

Mundaring Arts Centre | 7190 Great Eastern Hwy (corner Nichol Street)
9295 3991 | mundaringartscentre.com.au
Tuesday - Friday 10am - 5pm, Saturday and Sunday 11am - 3pm

***MÉLANGE*** | **underFOOT** | till 29 September

underFOOT is a grounded collective of multidisciplinary makers, Nien Schwarz, Holly Story, Perdita Phillips, Annette Nykiel, Sharyn Egan, Jane Donlin and Nandi Chinna, who care deeply about nature and their connection to Country. With professional backgrounds in visual arts and crafts, creative writing, geology, environmental science, food science and Indigenous Australian cultural studies, they share field-based experiences as well as academic and studio knowledge. Together they explore deep time, stratigraphy, and biota, practicing slow making through engagement with non-urban places and non-human worlds.

Immerse yourself in the structural grotto (exchange), an installation which conceptually draws on the geological Darling Fault. This artistic landscape provides the environment for discussion, inviting the public to underFOOT's not-so-round table public conversations that include specialists in the arts and sciences and a shared Indian meal.

*Darlington artist Gemma Ben-Ary with Vahri McKenzie, W-Off, 2024. Photographer Christophe Canato.*

*Perdita Phillips, structural grotto (exchange), 2024, recycled timber and pallets, ply, cardboard, soundtracks. Photographer Rebecca De Vries.*

*Sharyn Egan, (detail) nyorn maawit boorongur winyarn, 2024, lateritic gravel, Balga resin, tins, plant dyed cloth, wood. Photographer Rebecca De Vries.*

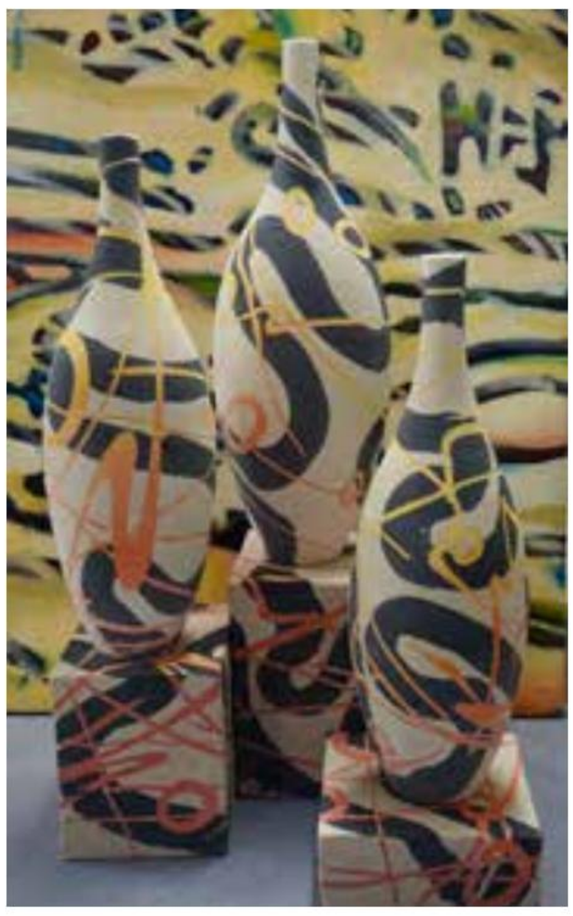
Please visit our website or scan the QR code for workshop and public program details and to book.
mundaringartscentre.com.au

Midland Junction Arts Centre
MANAGED BY MUNDARING ARTS CENTRE INC | SUPPORTED BY CITY OF SWAN

Midland Junction Arts Centre | 276 Great Eastern Hwy (corner Cale St)
9250 8062 | midlandjunctionartscentre.com.au
Tuesday - Friday 10am - 5pm, Saturday 11am - 3pm

***Coincident*** **| Bernard Kerr | IOTA24** | 14 September – 17 November 2024

Eminent WA, and local hills, ceramist Bernard Kerr's 4th solo show explores how ceramic objects are displayed, represented, perceived, and used in Western culture, while investigating the connection between objects and images, and drawing on the histories of craft and art. An influential and prolific artist and educator in ceramic arts practice for over 45 years, Kerr produces both functional and sculptural work in stoneware and porcelain, with his work recognised internationally.



*Bernard Kerr, Coincident installation (detail), 2024. Image courtesy of the artist.*

*Vanessa Wallace, back in the moment... monday (detail), 2024, UV print, digital pigment print and chine colle on archival paper. Image courtesy of the artist.*

***Unfold*** **| curated by Kristy Scaddan | IOTA24**
14 September – 17 November 2024

An exploration the craft of the artists' book through the stories and conversations of 15 WA artists, curated by Darlington's own Kristy Scaddan. Encompassing a diverse range of disciplines including printmaking, drawing, painting, textiles, collage, ceramics, photography and animation, these artists reinvent traditional forms of the artists' book craft to reinterpret the genre.

**ARTIST IN RESIDENCE**

Drop into Midland Junction Arts Centre to see the works of artists in residence as they explore local environmental sites and conversations about cultural identity. Artists in Residence: Gemma Ben-Ary and Vahri McKenzie; Yasamin Khadembashi; Andy Quilty in partnership with FORM and Youth Futures; Johnny Doan and Izy Nguyen.

Please visit our website or scan the QR code for a full list of creative workshops and public program details and to book.
midlandjunctionartscentre.com.au

**What do a spooky house, a ragtag bunch of thespians, musical writers block and a cult classic have in common? You'll have to come along to the 2024 One Act Season at Marloo Theatre to find out!**

Bittersweet Lullaby was written by Will Lacker, with music and lyrics written by Dylan Glatthorn. It is a poignant tale of how music can transcend across the years creating an exquisite, transformative experience for two struggling song writers. Beautifully directed by Kieran Ridgway. A gorgeous story of the magic of music and how it transmutes and connects us all!

*Bittersweet Lullaby*

*Red House Monster*

The Red House Monster was written by Rachel Bublitz and is directed by two of our incredible youth Georgia Stidwell and Brianna Thompson, mentored by Luke Miller. If you like a bit of a spooky story and a bit of a mystery then this play is the one for you. Set in the 1800's it follows the story of an adventurous young teen Hannah, and her undertaking to discovering who the local monster is. We see how that journey inadvertently affects all of those around her. A fabulous, enigmatic story sure to keep you curious.

Cut was written by Ed Monk and is directed by another of our fabulous youth Harrison Ricci, mentored by Sophie David. If you thought putting on a play was hard, come and witness the hilarity and confusion of a play, within a play, within a play! No-one knows what is going on or if it is reality or fiction! Who is the director, what is my name? Come and see this comical show!

*Cut*

Dinner for One is a farcical comedy written by Lauri Wylie and directed by Ray Egan. Since the 1960's it has been played every New Years Eve in Germany. It tells the story of the hilarious 90th birthday party of Miss Sophie who is celebrating with her 4 closest friends (all having passed). Hilarity ensues as her poor butler must not only serve the 'guests' their food and wine, but pretend to be them also. Don't miss out on this classic comedy piece.

*Dinner For One*

**Darlington Theatre Payers "One Act Season"**
**Marloo Theatre, Greenmount**
**23rd August - 7th September 2024**
**Tickets:** www.trybooking.com/CRZWI

**Facebook: Marloo Theatre**
**Instagram: @marlootheatre**
**Website:** www.marlootheatre.com.au

# SHOP LOCAL

and support your local businesses

- Local Architect
- Sustainable design
- Design Conceptualization
- Attractive designs
- Feasibility studies
- Statutory approvals
- Project Management
- Construction Documentation
- Interior Design
- Contract Administration

**visit us!**

At "The Apiary" office suites
behind "The Hive"

AYORA
ARCHITECTURE
Javi Ayora

EXTENSIONS RENOVATIONS NEW BUILDS POOLS DECKS OUTDOOR AREAS

04 3366 8025
javi@ayora.com.au

1 Beenong Road (At rear of The Hive)
Darlington, WA 6070

www.ayora.com.au

## OUTDOOR BLINDS & AWNINGS - LOCAL SPECIALIST

Experience our "Best price, first time" attitude,
with NO inflated prices or pushy sales people!
All styles of blinds, awnings & fabrics available
Manual wind up, hand crank or remote control
Mesh blockout for sun, wind, rain & bug protection

**HILLSIDE OUTDOOR BLINDS**

Local family run business, supply & fit
100% Aussie made S/S & Aluminium
Phone Yvonne today 0416 233 277

**Please check out our Facebook page for more photos, client reviews & info.**

**Here we are in Djilba, we are definitely feeling the cooler and wetter weather, the children are loving the water tank, installed by Ben Atkinson – thank you, they are using containers to catch the overflow which gets lovingly used in the sandpit where a lot of the children's creative energy is flowing lately.**

Our Natures Nurturers program has new certificate holders, congratulations to Lily, Tobias, Oscar S, Lola, Zera, Dolly, Matthew and Aria. The commitment put in by the children to ensure that they check their books and participate in activities about their world, learning to be kind and respectful to themselves, each other and the world around them brings us so much joy. We have been blessed with 2 baby bandicoots in our garden that we have been able to enjoy, they are adorable, we have spent a lot of time being quiet so we can watch their antics. Our garden is providing us with lots of garlic and potatoes lately, the herb garden is contributing to so many of our menu items, we all agree food tastes better when you harvest it yourselves. Hosca in Mundaring has a weekly veggie box from Stoneville Fresh that influences their weekly menu, and it is a hit with the children.

Our Annual Art Exhibition and AGM are scheduled for Friday the 13th September, of course with a date like this it is themed, so please dress in your spooky attire and you may just win the door prize. The evening starts at 6pm so please come along to see what amazing artworks the children have created for the evening. I must give appreciation to our incredible Educators who bring all the children's work together over the year to make this display absolutely fantastic.

HOSCA has booked a stall at the DAF – Darlington Arts Festival, so come and say hi. We will be using the proceeds we make at our stall for a social experiment for the children to pay it forward over the weekend, so don't be surprised if a child offers to pay for your purchase (or part of it). We look forward to seeing you there.

I would like to say thank you to Hillside Outdoor Blinds and Awnings who totally revamped our outdoor space, replacing the damaged clear plastic blinds with new mesh blockout blinds and they look fantastic.

# What's on at the Hub of the Hills for over 55's

## SEPTEMBER EVENTS:

### Book Cafe | Tuesday 10 September | 9.30am to 11am
Good quality pre-loved books available for purchase as well as a raffle and home made morning tea for $2. All money raised from book sales, raffle and morning tea goes to Save the Children, who support children in Australia and overseas.

### Creative Showcase | Tuesday 17 September | 9.30am to 11.30am
A morning of local talent on show. Local individuals and groups will have their creative works on show and be available for a chat about what they are showing. Morning tea available for a gold coin donation.

### Scrabble & Rummikub | Thursdays | 1pm to 3pm
All levels welcome - come, learn and enjoy! Cost is $2 and includes refreshments. For more information call 9295 1867.

The Hub of the Hills, 8 Craig Street, Mundaring
9290 6683 cso4@mundaring.wa.gov.au | Officer present on:
Tuesday 8.30am to 11.30am | Wednesday 9am to 12pm | Thursday 10am to 2pm

Shire of MUNDARING

**Luxaflex® Awnings** flourish in all Australian weather conditions, creating a seamless transition between indoor and outdoor living through shaded zones, perfect for escaping the summer sun or outdoor entertaining.

Luxaflex Window Fashions offer an extensive collection of materials, awning styles, and operating choices to suit a diverse range of homes that provide the ideal balance between style and functionality.

For a tailor-made solution with custom-made quality, visit us today.

Sunmaster Midland
22B The Crescent,
Midland WA 6056
9250 2559
luxaflexmidland@westnet.com.au
sunmastermidland.luxaflex.com.au

SUNMASTER MIDLAND

Luxaflex® WINDOW FASHIONS GALLERY

® Registered Trade Marks of Hunter Douglas Limited.
© Copyright 2021 Hunter Douglas Limited [ABN 68 009 675 706]. 05/2021

Dr Karl Bailey

Dr Susan Tran

Dr Bree Reynolds

Dr Zuzia Zykus

Wendy Hardman
Dental Therapist

Cath O'Reilly
Dental Therapist

DARLINGTON DENTAL 2
montrose
9299 6084

- Independent dental care since 1993
- Always welcoming new patients
- Open late Mondays and Thursdays
- Tooth coloured fillings
- Cosmetic dentistry & teeth whitening
- Muscle relaxants for cosmetic and jaw pain
- Splints, mouthguards, snoring and sleep apnoea appliances
- Crowns, veneers, bridges, implants, full and partial dentures
- Providing dental care for the whole family in a leafy, relaxed setting

**Hi Everyone,**

**What a wonderful curry night we had at the Glen Forrest Sporting Club. So many members turned up, and so much help was given to serving food and cleaning up. Thank you to Uma and all those helpers for making the night a success. It's always good to catch up with friends or make new ones, on a cold night with the fire going.**

With this cold weather some of us head up north to the warmth. Once spring comes around and the warmer weather, the club will arrange some fun nights with activities. Looking forward to summer and bbq's.

Please ring if you are wanting a Membership forms to join the club. It's a great place to get to know people and make new friends.

For existing members please remember fees are due now, so please pay to the account below with your surname in the reference area.

Looking forward to seeing you all on our Friday nights.

Fees to join are $20 per person or $40 for two or family. Payee The Darlington Club Inc. BSB 633 000, Account 124527748. Reference Surname and Subs.

## Coming Events:

**The Club opens at 6.30pm every second Friday at Darlington Lesser Hall. BYO drinks and nibbles.**

| | |
|---|---|
| September 13th | Sundowner |
| September 27th | Sundowner |

**Contact Sue on 0439 273 213 or email susanlavell10@gmail.com**
**or Sue Bennetts, Secretary on 0407 920 930 email garrysue24@iinet.net.au**

# Darlington Dibbler Girl Guides

## Inspiring girls to develop leadership skills and make positive contributions to their community.

**This month the Darlington Dibbler Girl Guides got down and dirty at Messy night. Blindfold finger painting, throwing cheerios onto shaving ceam hats and the icecream game (fill up your friend/s icecream cone from a height) made for many many laughs and LOTS of mess. We all had a wonderful night.**

The Girls have been busy sewing sit-a-pon bags. We used blanket stich around the rim which all of the girls managed nicely. The will be taking their sit-a-pons to region camp.

The Avon Hills region camp is coming up, the girls are very excited!

A warm welcome to our new leader in training, Karen Porter.

We welcome new girls aged from 7-12 years. We meet at Kathleen Skipsey Hall – on Glen Road, Darlington on Tuesdays from 6pm to 7.30pm during the school term. If you have any queries regarding Darlington Dibbler Girl Guides please contact Karen Knox on 0403 233 907 or enquire at Girl Guides WA.

**Expand Your Home, Support Your Family**

Tired of the skyrocketing housing market? Need space for aging parents or growing children? Transform your backyard into a valuable asset with our expertly crafted granny flats.

Using passivhaus principles, your new ancillary home can achieve 8* energy efficiency rating, significantly reducing your utility costs while providing a healthier living environment. Whether you prefer transportable or onsite fabrication, we use only high-quality materials tailored to your specific needs. Our designs prioritise comfort and functionality, ensuring a perfect fit for your family's lifestyle.

Visit us today at **www.perway.com.au** and discover how our solutions can bring your loved ones closer.

**Perway Construction Services – Your Backyard, Your Story**

## Darlington Scouts for September 2024

Just an average month in the life of Darlington Scout Group! Youth in all sections and age groups were involved in lots of activities:

## Operation Nighthawk

A group of our Scouts, the 'Darlo Ducks' attended Operation Nighthawk up at Jurien Bay, an overnight orienteering course with challenge bases along the way. Youth patrols compete without unit adults on the course, testing compass work, scouting knowledge, physical endurance and perseverance.

## Group Camp

Held over a weekend at the beautiful Honeymoon Pool, all ages and sections attended Group Camp, from the Joeys enjoying their first camp experience, to the older youth sharing their knowledge. Lots of fun in the crisp air, with campfires, hiking, cooking, and a creative concert of drama, singing and skits.

## Mission: Impossible

Hosted every year, this Scouts WA hosted event is a true test of endurance and teamwork, and this year on the wettest weekend all winter, perseverance. Held near Balingup, there were 23 teams competing, and our Darlington teams of Scouts and Venturers finished 1st, 3rd and 5th of which we're incredibly proud!

## Venturer Ball

Venturers enjoyed a different type of adventure, dressing up in their finest to attend the annual Venturer Ball, with music, dancing and a huge buffet enjoyed by all!

Darlington Scouts are open to boys and girls, comprising four sections:

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| • Joey Scouts | (age 5-8) | Monday |
| • Cub Scouts | (age 8-11) | Wednesday |
| • Scouts | (age 11-14) | Thursday |
| • Venturer Scouts | (age 14-18) | Friday |

**For information contact:**

**membership@darlingtonscouts.com**, or www.darlingtonscouts.com or the **Darlington Scout Group Facebook page**.

Darlington Venturers also have their own Instagram page, so if you are over 14, and interested if what they do, please look them up: **@darlingtonventurers**

Helena Estate
PHARMACY & NEWS

Professional & Timely Service
Newspapers & Magazines
Cards & Wrap
Jewellery & Scarves
Giftware ~ Handbags ~ Hats

Mon-Fri 8.30am to 6pm
Sat 8am to 5pm

PH: 9250 5811
Shop 3/1 Torquata Blvd
Helena Valley (Near IGA)
enquiry@hepn.com.au

# GOT SOMETHING TO SELL?

**A service like babysitting, handyman jobs, walking a dog or watering plants for someone travelling? Or that much-loved guitar that's not seeing any action? Or last year's school ballgown?**

**COMMUNITY CLASSIFIEDS won't break the bank but will ensure that you reach EVERY Darlington household.**

**THE COST? Only $10 for four lines (no more than 40 words) and a special $5 rate for students.**

**It's easy – your Classified advert and $$$ need to be in the Review Box at Darlington Post Office by the 20th of the month. Look for details in the inside front cover to see how your can secure your spot in the next edition.**

**GARDENING**, pruning, weeding, mulching, whipper snipping, gutters cleaned, general tidy up. **Phone Geoff 0409 088 936.**

**60+ DANCE CLASS,** MONDAYS 9.30am Darlington Hall, cost $15. All welcome, no experience needed. **Contact Lynne 0409 520 023.**

*Your local qualified arborists providing tree solutions in Darlington for over 30 years*

Pruning to Australian Standards AS4373
Tree pruning
Tree removal
Powerline clearances
Mulch sales
Habitat installation

CPD TREES
ARBORISTS

Tree risk assessments
Consultancy
Aerial inspections
Cable and bracing
Ecological surveys
Timber milling
Slab sales and surfacing

Michael Byrne | Dip. Arboriculture | 0411 750 342
www.cpdtrees.com.au | arborist@cpdtrees.com.au

ARB WEST Arboricultural Association of Western Australia
ISA QUALIFICATIONS
VALID Tree Risk-Benefit Validator
Arboriculture Australia

## Sigiriya-Kandy

### The last leg. The final innings of our fabulous cricket tour.

**The drive from Sigiriya to Kandy took about 5 hours and took us past fruit and veg growing districts, the presence of treehouses meaning there are lots of elephants which smell the F&V and eat it, farmers sleeping in them so they can scare away the animals. We also drove up the famous 18 bends which used to be one of the most dangerous roads in SL. The air conditioning was turned off as the bus needed max power but it was the only route to Kandy. It certainly enabled tantalising glimpses of the surrounding countryside which progressively increased until we stopped at the top to enjoy the beautiful vista.**

The match was the following day at the Asgiriya International Stadium which hosted its first test match against Australia in 1982–83 and held regular tests up to 2007-08. It is owned by Trinity College, an elite private boys' school (we saw some of the students practising rugby of course). The match summary is… we got walloped. Our (only) standout player was Guy Thompson with both the bat (50no) and the ball (3 of the 4 wickets to fall and he caught the fourth one). The other 'standout' was Duncan Bell who had 24 belted off his one and only over. Old Trinitonians only needed 6 to win after that and Mick O'Reilly, given the challenge of seeing if he could make the innings last two more balls, failed. We did however enjoy a very civilised drinks in the members bar afterwards before being again walloped, this time by a monsoonal downpour which turned parts of the ground (the part we need to walk over to our bus) into a lake.

One of the highlights of the whole tour was the train trip the next day through the tea growing mountainous regions up to the town of Araliya (home to one of the oldest golf courses in Asia). Kandy's ye olde train station had memorable signage such as "Be polite in front of women" and "foreigners only" toilets. It was almost 5 hours but made all the more memorable for those of us who were happy to stand at the open carriage doors (it was a pretty old train) and lean out (and take looooooots of photos and videos). One member who is also a tennis club member hurled tennis balls at local kids as we steamed through what were very low socio-economic areas and those who managed to catch one looked genuinely delighted.

SL produces 335m kilos of tea, only 3% for internal consumption, and is the world's fourth largest exporter. We of course stopped off at a plantation on the (bus) trip back where we were able to buy tea that was expensive even by Australian standards. There was also F&V stall after F&V stall on the trip back down but which also gave us one of our most memorable experiences – one particularly keen (bare footed) street vendor selling flowers strategically positioned at the top of 7 hairpins. Each time we didn't stop, he cut across the vegetation to the next hairpin and furiously waved us down. By the time we got to the bottom, even the most hardened travellers amongst us were impressed with his persistence and the bus driver was asked to pull over so a quick collection could be handed to him (without wanting any flowers in return but which he insisted on).

And that was it. Back at the hotel, we packed our bags and gathered in the foyer for a couple of emotional speeches, as well as fond farewells to a few lucky couples who were staying on in SL. The bus trip from Kandy to the airport took about three hours, before boarding our flight to Singapore and then back home to Perth.

Huge, enormous, massive thanks to Glenn Farrant and to whom we all owed an enormous debt of gratitude. Many thanks were also due to our excellent tour company, Connaissance, that Glenn worked with in putting the whole show together, our tour guides Sihan and Lucky being one of the highlights of our trip. Our tour was even covered in the Daily FT, Sri Lanka's only national business (English-language) newspaper. The article summed up our trip perfectly – "This tour not only showcased the camaraderie of sports but also fostered cultural exchange and friendship between Australia and Sri Lanka".

## Estate Law

Protect your family and plan your future.

Make a will, power of attorney or guardianship.

Look after a loved one who has lost capacity

Obtain Probate or Letters of Administration

Estate related litigation

SUSSEX LEGAL

Estate and Commercial Law

## Commercial Law

Contracts & Agreements

Commercial Property Leases

Business Sales & Purchases

Conveyancing

Company Incorporation

Preparation of Trusts

Dispute Resolution & Litigation

Darlington based lawyer - home visits available

Free initial consultation

Tel: 08 9355 0232
www.sussexlegal.com.au
Unit 2, 104 Swan Street, Guildford, WA 6055

MANNA WELLNESS

DARLINGTON

Welcome to Manna Wellness Darlington (formerly Hills Psychology & Wellness), a health and wellness centre in the Perth Hills, integrating mind and body for a uniquely holistic service.

Whether you are experiencing acute or chronic pain, mental health difficulties or simply want to improve your overall quality of life, our highly experienced and compassionate team can provide you with expert care.

CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGY
PHYSIOTHERAPY
CHIROPRACTIC
OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY
MASSAGE (REMEDIAL, SPORTS, DEEP TISSUE, HOT STONE, PREGNANCY)
CHILD-CENTRED PLAY THERAPY
PSYCHIATRY
PILATES

6292 0148
darlington@mannawellness.com.au
www.mannawellness.com.au
20 Brook Road, Darlington

# Silver Tree Steiner School

**Have you ever wondered what it would be like for your child to be at a school where there are no screens in the classrooms, where they get to learn in a world immersed in nature, on a beautiful school campus of over 25 acres?**

Silver Tree Steiner School will be opening its doors to the community on the 8th of September for its Open Day and Djilba Fair and we invite you to come along!

Our Open Day is the perfect opportunity to have a look inside our unique classrooms, to wander through the natural bush playgrounds, and meet our passionate and inspired staff.

There will be plenty of activities for your children including woodwork, bread baking, digging for crystal treasures in the kindys, a coconut shy, circus skills and much more. You will also be able to see the children singing and performing throughout the day, including the Silver Tree Choir and talented String Ensembles.

Come and grab yourself some lunch from our many food vendors, or simply a coffee and a homemade cake whilst browsing the many local market stalls, including a big second-hand clothing stall.

Our school shop will also be open on the day selling Steiner stationery, craft, gifts and jewellery.

We look forward to welcoming you to Silver Tree Steiner School on Sunday 8th of September from 10am – 2pm.

# Darlington Primary School

**Early August, Darlington Primary School and their most enthusiastic science teacher of all time, Mr Smith prepared and hosted the HEC (Hills Education Community) Science Challenge for National Science week.**

Thirty students coming from 10 schools (Parkerville PS Mount Helena PS Chidlow PS Gidgegannup PS Helena Valley PS Wundowie PS Sawyers Valley PS Glen Forrest PS Mundaring PS and Darlington PS ) came together to work through a couple of science challenges.

Groups were assessed on teamwork, design, diagrams and explanation with each school supplied a judge. The two challenges were based around Mars and Mr Smith set the scene by describing the problem to be solved and a number of scientific solutions. Students watched an animation of the landing on mars to further immerse themselves in how they could work through their challenges.

The first task was to create a device to protect a Lego Mars Rover to land safely on "the moon." Each group was given a budget for purchasing materials, with each item priced. Students had to make strategic decisions on which materials to buy, balancing cost against functionality and how their Rover could land safety from a 4-meter-high platform. They researched and debated the properties of various materials such as cushioning, shock absorption, and structural support.

To the students' delight most Mars Rovers survived the landing intact!

In the second challenge six locations were identified to set up a base on Mars and students were tasked with considering what might be required to support humans living on Mars at the base. Evidence was provided to their groups and students reviewed water detectors as well as soil pH testing kits. Ultraviolet light was beamed into the sample to observe a glow to see if radioactivity was present. Soil samples, water samples, radiation tests, oxygen in water and a test with yeast to test pH of soil. Marked off each site (crater) rubric to record their information to help recommend the best site. There were four hidden clues in a static display which each group needed to visit. Teams had to review and consider plants in boxes growing in different coloured light, charts with solar energy and pipes for water support were also analysed.

The next part of the challenge was to determine what crew would visit Mars. Students were provided with cards that outlines a person's biographical information, their skills and background. Teams needed to select who they thought would be the four best crew members for the mission.

The Darlington team selected a graduating student good at problem solving and design, a chef as they are good at calming people with their great food and a computer programmer. Each team member selected had high emotional intelligence!

Each group then prepared their reports, including diagrams and reasons for their choices.

While the judging took place Mr Smith entertained the group with some other science experiments like making elephant toothpaste and a fire demonstration with the use of aero gel.

Darlington PS is grateful to Mundaring Bendigo Bank who sponsored the event with morning tea and all students received a participation bag of goodies. Students from the winning school received a prize pack and a $50 bank account voucher.

# THE BIG BENEFITS OF PLAY FOR BIG KIDS

Much to the delight of Helena College's Middle School students, new play equipment was installed for the start of Term Three. The students, particularly our Year 7s, felt strongly that they would like a playground to transition to after leaving Year 6. Student input is valued at Helena College, and their ideas were key to the development of the new play area.

Active play is crucial for the healthy development of children, particularly in early adolescence. This stage, typically ages 9 to 14, is pivotal for physical, emotional, and social growth. While Year 7 is traditionally the start of secondary schooling, it does not mean that their desire for active play ends. Twelve and thirteen-year olds enjoy the opportunity to engage in team games, and physically challenging activities such as climbing and swinging from the monkey bars just as much as their younger peers.

Engaging in active play during those tween and early teen years offers numerous benefits beyond simple entertainment.

Firstly, active play significantly contributes to physical health. During early adolescence, children experience rapid growth and development. Regular physical activity helps build strong bones and muscles, improves cardiovascular health, and maintains a healthy weight. Active play enhances motor skills, coordination, and overall fitness. This foundation of physical health can set the stage for lifelong healthy habits and reduce the risk of chronic diseases.

Beyond the physical benefits, active play is essential for mental and emotional well-being. Early adolescence often brings significant changes and challenges, including increased academic pressures and social dynamics. Active play provides an outlet for stress relief and emotional regulation. It encourages the release of endorphins, natural mood lifters, helping to combat anxiety and depression. Additionally, engaging in play that requires strategy and problem-solving can boost cognitive development and improve concentration and focus.

Socially, active play is a powerful tool for building relationships and developing social skills. Through team sports and group activities, adolescents learn cooperation, teamwork, and fair play. These interactions help develop communication skills, empathy, and the ability to work towards common goals. Such social engagements also offer opportunities to form friendships and build a sense of community and belonging, critical for emotional health during this developmental stage.

But for our students, play is just play, and they couldn't wait to try the equipment out. And who better than the students themselves to give us a review of the play area the Year 7s campaigned for:

*The playground was a great experience and it made me feel great.* ~ Diora B

*The new playground makes our recesses and lunches way more fun! Thank you so much!* ~ Leigh C

*The new playground is so good. I'm glad we were finally given a playground of our own. The monkey bar challenge was fun!* ~ Kimberley B

We were also delighted to see a few of our older students (Year 8 and 9s) have a go at completing the monkey bar challenge. If you'd like to know more about Helena College, we encourage you to book a tour.

START YOUR JOURNEY.
Book your Helena College tour today.
helena college tours

HELENA COLLEGE
Bringing out the best together

**Darlington Campus**
Ryecroft Rd DARLINGTON
WA 6070
**+61 (08) 9299 6626**
darlington@helena.wa.edu.au

**Glen Forrest Campus**
Bilgoman Rd GLEN FORREST
WA 6071
**+61 (08) 9298 9100**
glenforrest@helena.wa.edu.au

## Treetops Japan Trip

**Earlier this term, 19 Treetops students from Years 8-12, along with three staff, travelled to Japan for 10 days and participated in the JAPEC Cultural Exchange Program. This involved them being individually hosted by a Japanese family in Osaka and attending a three-day camp on the Awaji Island.**

This was Treetops' third trip to Japan since 2016. Op-portunities such as these link in with Treetops' Mon-tessori and IB philosophies to:

- nurture the students' independence, respect, self motivation, self control and self direction
- provide opportunities for students to develop a sense of personal and social responsibility
- provide an opportunity for students to develop established relationships and foster new ones
- develop students' self-confidence
- extend students' educational experiences and
- develop cross-cultural understanding

The JAPEC summer camp was the main focus of the trip. Japanese students from private English-language schools attend the camp during their summer holi-days.

The camp consisted of various activities by the beach, including the traditional Japanese activity of water-melon smashing, learning Japanese calligraphy, playing origami games, and meditation with a zen monk, to name a few.

The homestay experience is a wonderful way for stu-dents to be immersed in a culture and truly under-stand what it is like to live in a different country. One student described her experience with her host family and on camp as:

"I really enjoyed the Japan trip, and I thought it was a great experience, with the camp and the homestay families. I personally had a great time with my homestay family as they were very sweet and caring, and had my whole stay planned. I also really enjoyed the camp, because most of the activities weren't your normal camp activities like team building or crate stack, but activities like making dried flower pens and making flags for our groups. Overall, I loved the whole thing, with everything in it, but the only thing I wish was that it went for longer."

COOPERBUILDERS|WA

BC13963

The Perth hills design + renovation specialists

- Design + solutions
- Home modifications
- Home renovations
- Home extensions
- Outdoor solutions
- Wall removal
- Window + door conversions
- Call Steve for helpful, friendly service

0418900918

# Newburn Accounting & Tax

We are an accountancy firm based in Darlington, Western Australia.

Located not far off Gt Eastern Hwy, We provide accountancy and tax management services to a range of businesses and individuals.

While we are proudly Hills based, our clientele ranges from the Swan Valley to the wheatbelt.

Our highly effective team of business specialists and service providers work with best practices and state-of-the-art solutions.

*Our professional 'business service allows you to focus and remain on top.*

*To thrive and excel in today's business environment, you have to be able to focus on your core business.*

**We provide the following services :**

**Personal tax returns**

**Business BAS returns**

**Business tax returns**

**Investments tax processing**

**Business start-up formation, for company, partnership and sole traders**

**Succession planning**

**Accounting software for business**

**Contact Us. We will be glad to help you!**

email Bridie@newburn.ch

Ph. 0475 467 534

PO Box 25

Darlington WA 6070

N

*We take care of the numbers , allowing you to take care of your business.*

A trusted name in construction since 2007

At Just Deck It we take pride in every deck we build

**www.justdeckit.net.au**

**Design | Plan | Build**

We are a full-service decking contractor located in Darlington

**Call Baigent Taylor**
**0404 712 242**

SILVER TREE
STEINER SCHOOL
PARKERVILLE
STEINER COLLEGE
OPEN DAY &
DJILBA FAIR
SUNDAY 8TH SEPTEMBER
10am - 2pm
695 Roland Road, Parkerville
Performances | Stalls
Bake Sale | Craft
Live Music | Food Trucks
Open Classrooms

#KEEP IT LOCAL

SUPPORT LOCAL FIRST!

INSPIRIT

TAEKWON-DO ACADEMY

40 years in Darlington

Adults - Teens - Little Warriors - Families

Grand Master Dr Linda Low
9th Dan Chief Instructor

0437 316 590
gmlinda.low@gmail.com

Find us on Facebook

Helena Valley and Hills Glazing

"Intelligent Use of Glass"

*Shower Screens & Mirrors*

*Glass Repairs / Splashbacks*

*Double Glazing*

Call Sean or Maureen

**Tel/Fax: 9299 6879**

**Mob: 0427 474 252**

*E: helenavalleyglass@bigpond.com*

*www.helenavalleyglass.com.au*

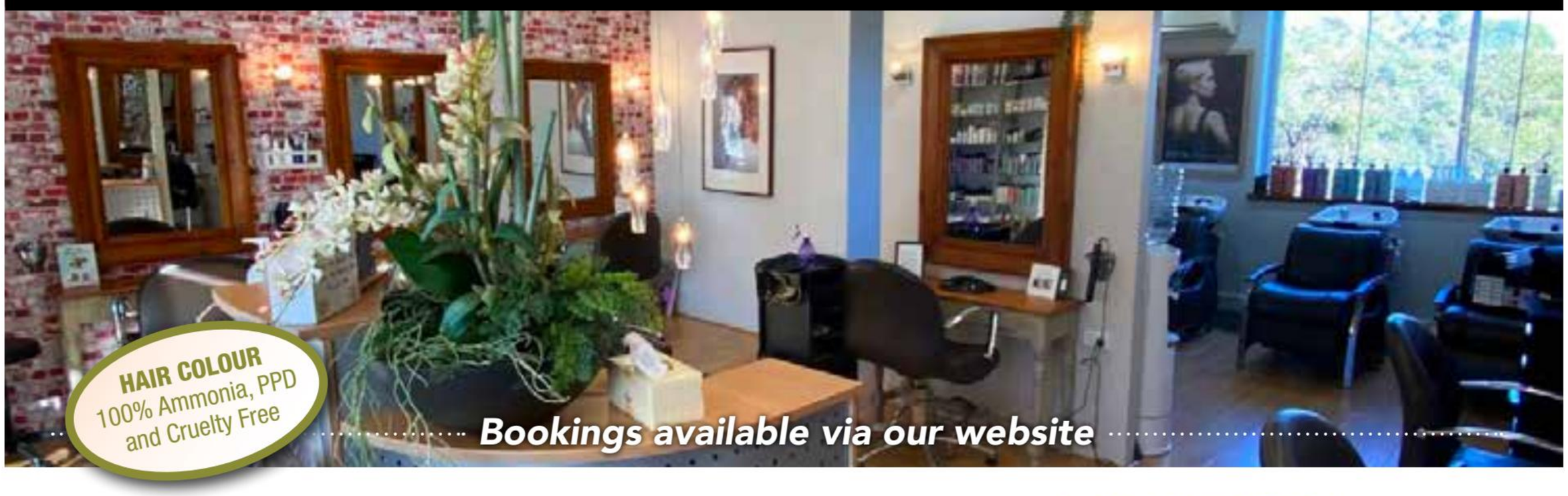
*www.doubleglazing-perth.com.au*

"The Enthusiastic Yorkshireman"

Mosh

organic concept salon

Call Us Today! (08) 9299 6791 www.moshorganic.com



HAIR COLOUR
100% Ammonia, PPD and Cruelty Free

*Bookings available via our website*

Come and enjoy the MOSH experience and receive your uniquely customised colour with our highly experienced **CHI®** colour specialists.

MOSH uses the best quality ammonia-free hair colour containing pure silk. This results in 100% grey coverage adding strength and beautiful shine to your hair.

***An Official OLAPLEX Salon***
A fantastic repair treatment like ***no other!*** Add to your service for stronger, healthier hair and longer lasting colour ~ ***From $50***

- Mosh is a unisex salon
- Plenty of easy parking right in front of the salon

1 Owen Road Darlington
(NEXT DOOR TO EARNSHAW'S REAL ESTATE)

moshorganic_hairsalon
moshorganicconceptsalon

# Darlington Community Garden (DCG)

## In and around the Darlington Community Garden!

**The garden is enjoying all this wonderful rain and we hope you are too! The Noongar season, Djilba is here and our beautiful bush is swelling with flowering buds preparing for the explosion of wild flowers.** If you pay attention to our natural environment; perhaps on your walks into nature along the old railway track, you will see the bright yellow acacia flowers in full bloom.

Dijlba, is the first spring and the Earth mixes up the weather, with very cold and clear days combined with warm, windy, rainy and sunny days. We are being prepared for the coming of the second spring which is Kambarang where the weather starts to warm up and the wild flowers are in full bloom; our bush will be awash with colour.

In the DCG we have been making the most of this lovely wet season by planting out our garden beds, and thanks to the generosity of Erin Grey and the people who donated to her gofundme fundraiser for the frog and riparian habitat, we were able to plant between 300 to 400 indigenous riparian plants in our creek bed and on the banks. We are so grateful that the amazing Erin decided to be the DCG creek, wetland and frog habitat champion; leaving no stone unturned, Erin continues to lovingly tweak our wetland project in the name of "frog happiness!"

### Frogs of the Darling Range

*Hooting Frog*

*Motorbike Frog*

*Moaning Frog*

On Sunday, July 21st the DCG was buzzing with people planting out the creek, placing rocks, creating habitats for riparian wild life.

We had so much fun coming together as community to build a wild life sanctuary, for our friendly neighbourhood frogs to live and party in. Thanks to the chef of the day, Sue Lennard, for the delicious hot soup that warmed our bellies on that very wet and cold afternoon.

As Darlington community members walk through the garden, you will notice that the works on the shelter for the heritage railway wagon is underway. The shelter will protect the wagon from the wet weather while providing a covered area for community to gather and use.

The shelter has largely been funded by the Darlington community by purchasing Community Bank Mundaring raffle tickets. Thank you everyone who bought tickets and our deepest gratitude goes to Shelton, who put in a mammoth effort over the past three years and sold many tickets.

The DCG committee also thanks, David Grant who is volunteering to project manage the build of the wagon shelter, and to Bruce Cann and David Lavell for their pro bono services in preparing and submitting the drawings and associated paper work to the Shire. Our friendly builder, is Steve from Abode Carpentry.

During the building of the shelter, we ask the community to take extra care in making sure that you, your children and dogs are safe while you continue to enjoy the community garden.

The produce trolly that lives under the pine trees near the playground, will be removed from September 1st 2024 and relocated to a location the DCG decides upon. We will inform the community of the location once the decision has been made. Please do not leave any produce or items for sharing as the area will not be monitored by the DCG and could become a hazard. We advise you to use the Buy Nothing Darlington Facebook page for continued sharing and if you have any ideas for the produce trolly, we would love to hear from you. Email: info@darlingtoncommunitygarden.org.au and share your inspiration with us. The DCG committee are really grateful to Sue Lennard for looking after the trolly while it has been in operation.

Enjoy the garden and the flowers of Dijlba!

**MON 4.00pm GARDEN BUSY BEES**

**PLANT AND PRODUCE SWAP**

**SUNDAY 8 September** from 4.30pm
(2nd Sunday of month)

Bring produce, seeds, cuttings, plants, herbs, jams, etc and plate of food and drink to share.

**From 5pm** - **DRUMMING CIRCLE** and Yarning. Drums provided.
(Every second Sunday)

**NEW MEMBERS**

www.darlingtoncommunitygarden.org.au/join-us-1

Keep in touch and have your say on our DCG FACEBOOK page www.facebook.com/groups/218148335647263

JOIN US

FACEBOOK

# Friends of Darlington Station Reserve (FODS)

*Celebration Cake made by Lovely Natalie*

**We had this little celebration at morning teatime following our work session on 11th August.**

The Shire of Mundaring have got over their minor panic around the boundary of the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage area relating to the Helena River catchment area as they affected Darlington and we are allowed to resume our normal activities on the Darlington Station Reserve. We missed one Sunday work session and currently the weeds are winning but we will be back into the fray for the last Sunday in August followed by 8th and 22nd September, should you feel like coming along and helping out. Like you in your home gardens, we will win the 'Battle of the Weeds' but it just doesn't feel like it at the moment!

We have put in many tube stock plants this year and removed many older plants that did not survive last summer's hot, dry conditions and plan to trial 'no watering' in parts of the reserve to see if that gives new plants a good start. Last year's planting has had a high success rate with watering even so. Experiment in your own gardens and observe the success and failures there, in neighbouring gardens, the Station Reserve and the bush.

Darlington population reduces this time of the year as residents head north to take holidays, seeking warmer weather and wildflowers. So, look at this photo of our Jane on her travels. I wish I was there!

*Jane and the wildflowers*

As always, we welcome new volunteers on the reserve : we meet from 8am to 10am to work every 2nd Sunday during winter up to the Darlington Arts Festival weekend. Morning tea follows and our CATERINGFODS are excellent cooks. A big HELLO to the special Liz Dumont as she recovers from recent illness - we miss you Liz. Meeting on 8th and 22nd September.

You can just come along or ring Jane on 0477 987 048

Diane

St Cuthbert's

# Centenary Celebration Concert

*presented by St Cuthbert's youth.*

ST CUTHBERT'S, DARLINGTON
CELEBRATING 100 YEARS

Come and enjoy an evening of music on

## Saturday, October 12th

*6pm: Sausage Sizzle*

*7pm: Concert*

*Followed by a dessert supper.*

Featuring young artists and a women's choir.

Gold coin donation towards the work of
**Ascension Connection, Midland.**

We hope to see you there!

MUNDARING
Adult Creative
& Learning Centre

# TERM 3 / 2024 TIMETABLE

Phone no: **9295 1688**

**Visit our website for enrolment & class pricing details.**

**www.mundaringlearning.com.au**

## Term 3: Mon 15 Jul 2024 — Fri 20 Sep 2024

**3 Craigie Place, Mundaring**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Monday AM | Upholstery Mod, Trad & Auto | 9:00am | 12:00pm | $100.00 |
| Monday AM | Patchwork Sewing | 9:00am | 11:30am | $100.00 |
| Monday AM | Pottery Wheel Beginners | 9:00am | 11:30am | $120.00 |
| Monday AM | Oil & Acrylic Painting | 9:00am | 11:30am | $120.00 |
| Monday AM | Woodwork - Own Projects | 9:00am | 11:30am | $120.00 |
| Monday PM | Uthando Doll Project | 12:45pm | 3:15pm | Free |
| Monday PM | Mixed Media Masterclass | 12:45pm | 3:15pm | $130.00 |
| Monday PM | Woodwork - Own Projects | 12:45pm | 3:15pm | $120.00 |
| Tuesday AM | Chair Yoga | 9:30am | 11:00am | $100.00 |
| Tuesday AM | Wood Turning | 9:00am | 11:30am | $100.00 |
| Tuesday PM | Yoga Gentle Afternoon | 12:45pm | 2:15pm | $100.00 |
| Wednesday | Bahasa Indonesia Intermediate | 9:30am | 11:30am | $100.00 |
| Wednesday | Clay Sculpture Group - Intermediate | 9:00am | 11:30am | $120.00 |
| Wednesday | Leadlight Wed Morning | 9:00am | 11:30am | $100.00 |
| Wednesday | Sewing - Morning Session | 9.30am | 12:00pm | $100.00 |
| Wednesday | Leadlight Wed Afternoon | 12:45pm | 3:15pm | $100.00 |
| Wednesday | Wood Turning | 12:45pm | 3:15pm | $100.00 |
| Wednesday | Sewing - Afternoon Session | 12:30pm | 3:00pm | $100.00 |
| Wednesday | Clay Sculpture - Studio Time Only - Casual Class | 12:45pm | 3:15pm | $12.00 / Class |
| Thursday AM | Leadlight Thurs Morning | 9:00am | 11:30am | $100.00 |
| Thursday AM | Mosaics | 9:00am | 11:30am | $100.00 |
| Thursday AM | Wood Turning Beginners | 9:00am | 11:30am | $100.00 |
| Thursday AM | Pottery Wheel - All Levels | 9:00am | 11:30am | $120.00 |
| Thursday PM | Leadlight Thurs Afternoon | 12:45pm | 3:15pm | $100.00 |
| Thursday PM | Traditional Upholstery | 12:45pm | 3:15pm | $100.00 |
| Friday AM | Creative Writing | 9:00am | 11:30pm | $100.00 |
| Friday AM | Ceramics Hand Built Introduction (Continuing Students Only) | 9:00am | 12:00pm | $120.00 |
| Friday AM | Hatha Yoga | 10:00am | 11:30am | $100.00 |
| Friday AM | Rigid Heddle Loom Weaving | 9:00am | 11:30am | $100.00 |
| Friday PM | Watercolour Painting 102 (Continuing Students Only) | 12:30pm | 3:00pm | $130.00 |
| Friday PM | ½ Hour Reiki Sessions by appointment Ph 0422 981 698 | 12:00pm | 2:00pm | $10.00 |
| | **WEEKEND CLASSES** | | | |
| Saturday AM | Wellbeing Through Movement | 9:00am | 10:15am | $60.00 |
| **Day** | **Workshops** | **Start** | **Finish** | **Cost** |
| 2nd Saturday | Felting Group | 10:00am | 3:00pm | $10.00 per |
| Saturday 27th July | Acrylic Painting Workshop (For this workshop please book through www.trybooking.com) | 9:30am | 2:30pm | $140.00 Including lunch. |

Dependable. Transparent. Traditional Service
with a Modern Twist to Pool & Spa Maintenance.
For 16 years, we've been the go-to solution for pool owners in Perth Hills and surrounding areas. Our services are fast, reliable, and friendly, covering everything from green pool restorations to equipment repair and supply. We specialise in troubleshooting problem pools, installing pool blankets, and offering expert advice on robot pool cleaners. Trust us to keep your pool in top condition so you can enjoy hassle-free swimming all year round.
Our Locations and Service Centres: Mundaring. Floreat. Kalamunda. Ellenbrook
The PoolShop GROUP
thepoolshopgroup.com.au
The Pool Shop Kalamunda
19 Canning Road, Kalamunda
Call Phil: (08) 9293 1356
kalamunda@thepoolshopgroup.com.au
thepoolshopgroup.com.au